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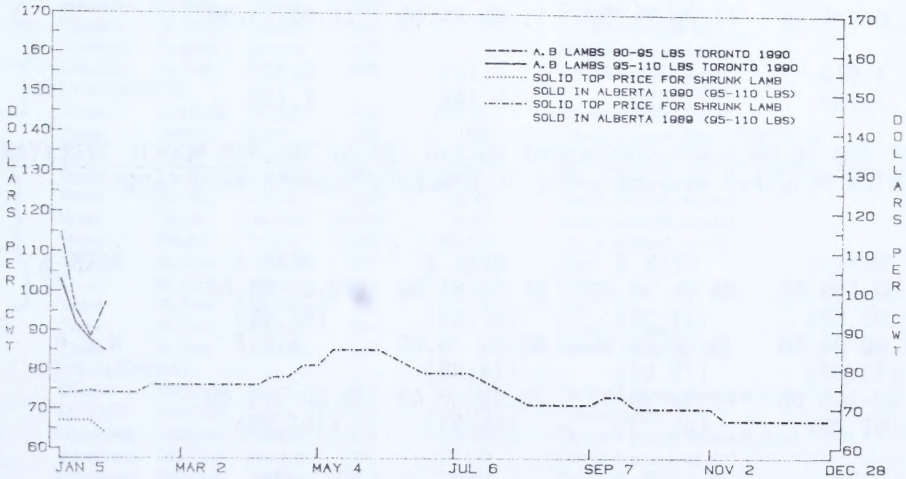
MARKET REPORT

WEEKLY AVERAGE SLAUGHTER LAMB PRICES



NOTE: INSUFFICIENT SALES FOR CERTAIN WEEKS.

At Lambco, in Innisfail, bid ranges remained steady throughout the month of December at $64.00-67.00 per cwt. Lamb prices continued to be depressed by the unseasonably large lamb slaughter volumes in the United States which for November 1989 ran 11 percent higher than for the same period last year. Slaughter volumes at Lambco for December were 32 % higher than for December 1988, rising from 6,658 head to 8,535 head.

There was one sheep and lamb sale at the Edmonton Stockyards during the first week of December. Slaughter lambs sold between a range of $53.00-56.75 per cwt, while feeder lamb prices ranged from $58.00 to $76.00 per cwt.

United States average slaughter weights in November increased by 4 pounds over last year to 127 pounds, this coupled with higher slaughter volumes has yielded a 15 percent increase in lamb production over November of last year. This surplus production increased stock levels and depressed wholesale and slaughter lamb prices in December, which is generally when prices are expected to begin to rise sharply.

Market commentators have suggested that packers in Colorado who own lamb feedlots and paid relatively higher prices for feeder lambs during the spring and summer have attempted to recoup some of their loses in the plant by feeding out their lambs to heavier weights. Slaughter volumes for November in Colorado were up over 45 percent over November of last year, from 108,300 head to 157,700 head. Average slaughter weights in Colorado rose from 133 pounds per head for November 1988 to 141 pounds per head for November 1989. Colorado's share of slaughter volumes has increased from 25 percent to nearly 33 percent of the national slaughter in the United States.

PRICE RANGE AND VOLUMES FOR GOOD LAMBS 95-110 LBS AT LAMBCO

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	MONTHLY SUMMARY
CURRENT MON						
Jan 1990	67.00-70.00	67.00-70.00	67.00-70.00	64.00-67.00		66.25-69.25
LAST MON						
Dec 1989	64.00-67.00	64.00-67.00	64.00-67.00	64.00-67.00	64.00-67.00	64.00-67.00
YR AGO MON						
Jan 1989	71.00-74.00	71.00-74.00	71.00-74.00	71.00-74.00		71.00-74.00
VOLUMES						
Jan 1990	1,810	1,763	1,224	1,069		5,866
Jan 1989	1,289	1,620	1,344	1,155		5,408

PRICE RANGE AND VOLUMES FOR GOOD LAMBS 95-110 LBS AT TORONTO PUBLIC STOCKYARDS
(With Weighted average price in brackets beneath each range)

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	MONTHLY SUMMARY
CURRENT MON	95.50-106.00	84.00-94.00	84.00-91.00	70.00-89.00		
Jan 1990	(103.02)	(91.79)	(87.41)	(84.68)		91.14
LAST MON	71.00-80.00	73.00-86.00	68.00-76.00	N.E.P	N.E.P.	
Dec. 1989	(73.94)	(79.02)	(74.98)			76.13
YR AGO MON	94.00-105.00	79.00-90.50	78.00-87.00	86.00-114.00		
Jan 1989	(101.98)	(85.73)	(84.97)	(101.00)		91.40
Jan/90 VOLUMES	33	113	68	35		
AVERAGE WEIGHT	98.3	100.1	100.1	99.3		

PRICE RANGE AND VOLUMES FOR GOOD LAMBS 80-95 LBS TORONTO PUBLIC STOCKYARDS
(Weighted average price in brackets beneath each range)

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	MONTHLY SUMMARY
CURRENT MON	98.00-115.00	84.00-108.00	84.00-106.00	80.00-100.00		
Jan 1990	(114.83)	(95.59)	(88.35)	(97.16)		94.36
LAST MON	75.00-102.00	75.00-100.00	70.00-100.00	69.00-86.00	N.E.P.	
Dec 1989	(85.07)	(83.75)	(80.73)	(76.63)		80.86
YR AGO MON	85.00-119.00	80.00-110.00	83.00-115.00	88.00-114.00		
Jan 1989	(96.09)	(99.01)	(98.17)	(103.73)		99.02
Jan/90 VOLUMES	33	294	249	165		
AVERAGE WEIGHT	88.2	85.7	87.4	86.6		

Prices quoted for 95-110 lb lambs are bid prices at Lambco and auction prices at Toronto Public Stockyards for good quality lambs. The lower end of the Alberta price range reflects bids for short haul or unshrunk lambs while the upper end of the range represents bids for long haul or shrunk lambs. Producers delivering to the Toronto Public Stockyards pay commission and yardage fees for each animal sold. Producers delivering to Lambco pay $1/head checkoff to the Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission.

The Toronto auction price is from the Special Sheep and Lamb Sale held on Monday each week.

N.E.P. - No established price

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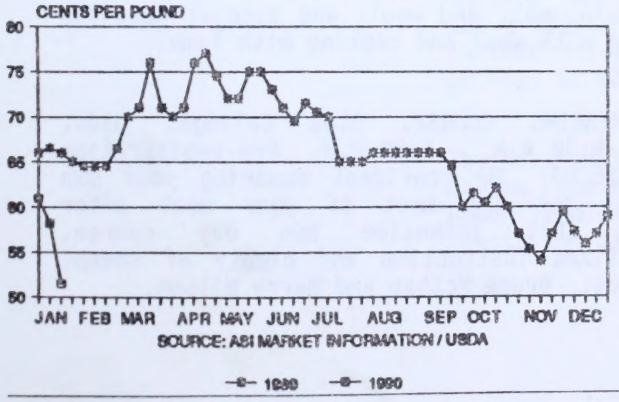
REPRESENTATIVE LIVE SALES

AREA	TYPE OF SHEEP	TYPE OF SALE	HEAD	LBS.	WEIGHING CONDITIONS	PRICE ($/CWT.)
WEST COAST						
California	Feeder	Auction	179	60- 65	Choice & fancy, wooled	70.00
MOUNTAIN						
Colorado	Old Crop	Auction	100	120-125	Choice & prime, wooled	48.50-50.25
Colorado	Feeder	Auction	200	58- 80	Choice & fancy, wooled	64.00-66.00
Colorado	Feeder	Auction	375	85-103	Choice & fancy, wooled	56.00-59.00
Montana	Feeder	Auction	100	80- 95	Choice & fancy, wooled	50.50-55.00
Colorado	Sl. Ewe	Auction	225	116-130	Utility & cull	22.00-26.00
Colorado	St. Ewe	Auction	150	140-160	Short term (per hd.)	55.00-57.50
Montana	St. Ewe	Auction	250		Yearlings (per hd.)	92.50-107.50
Montana	St. Ewe	Auction	350		2-3 year olds (per hd.)	85.00-92.50
Montana	St. Ewe	Auction	425		Solid Mouth (per hd.)	61.00-77.50
Montana	St. Ewe	Auction	675		Broken mouth (per hd.)	45.00-56.00
SOUTH CENTRAL						
Texas	Old Crop	Auction	900	100-127	Choice & prime, shorn	50.00-53.00
Texas	Feedlot	Direct	550	150	Choice & prime, shorn, FOB 4% shr.	43.50
Texas	Feeder	Auction	200	40- 60	Choice & fancy, wooled	71.00-77.00
Texas	Feeder	Auction	400	60- 70	Choice & fancy, wooled	67.00-72.00
Texas	Feeder	Auction	700	70- 80	Choice & fancy, wooled	65.00-72.00
Texas	Feeder	Auction	1000	80- 90	Choice & fancy, wooled	62.00-67.00
Texas	Feeder	Auction	600	90-100	Choice & fancy, wooled	55.00-60.00
Texas	Sl. Ewe	Auction	850		Good	37.00-41.00
Texas	Sl. Ewe	Auction	2750		Utility	32.00-37.00
Texas	Sl. Ewe	Auction	400		Cull	25.00-32.50
Texas	St. Ewe	Auction	250		Mixed age (per hd.)	40.00-54.00
Texas	St. Ewe	Auction	600		Ewes & lambs (per hd.)	28.00-36.00
NORTH CENTRAL						
Illinois	Old Crop	Direct	100	100-120	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	46.00-50.00
IA-S.MN	Old Crop	Direct	7215	105-115	* See note below	52.00-56.00
Minnesota	Old Crop	Auction	150	95-110	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	53.00-56.00
Minnesota	Old Crop	Auction	250	110-120	Choice & prime, wooled	50.00-54.00
Minnesota	Old Crop	Auction	375	120-130	Choice & prime, wooled	45.00-52.00
Minnesota	Old Crop	Auction	250	130-140	Choice & prime, wooled	40.00-45.00
Minnesota	Old Crop	Computer	380	126	$.30 off @120 lbs., $5 buck disc., 3% shr.	51.25
N. Dakota	Old Crop	Auction	150	100-124	Choice & prime, wooled	48.50-53.00
N. Dakota	Old Crop	Computer	403	118	$.30 off @115 lbs., $2 wooled disc., 3% shr.	54.00
S. Dakota	Old Crop	Auction	175	113-115	Choice & prime, wooled	52.25
S. Dakota	Old Crop	Auction	400	128-153	Choice & prime, wooled	42.25-45.50
Wisconsin	Old Crop	Computer	435	113	$.30 off @110 lbs., $2 wooled disc., 3% shr.	56.50
S. Dakota	Mixed	Auction	150	98-103	40% feeder lambs, wooled & shorn	62.00-63.75
Minnesota	Feeder	Auction	225	75- 90	Choice & fancy, wooled	58.00-68.00
Minnesota	Feeder	Auction	175	90-100	Choice & fancy, wooled	55.00-60.00
EASTERN						
Michigan	Old Crop	Auction	800	100-120	Choice & prime, $2 wooled & $5 buck disc.	48.00-53.00
Ohio	Old Crop	Auction	400	100-125	Choice & prime, shorn	53.00-56.00
Penn.	Old Crop	Auction	700	75-120	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	58.00-66.00
Virginia	Old Crop	Auction	284	95-125	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	55.00-56.50
Virginia	Old Crop	Computer	430	95-125	Choice & prime $2 wooled, $3 low choice disc	56.00

*Note: SLides included $.40 off @120 lbs., $.40 off @110 lbs., $.50 off @110 lbs., shrink of 4% or equivalentme, wooled & shorn

TEXAS FEEDLOT PRICE
GUARANTEE 51% YIELD



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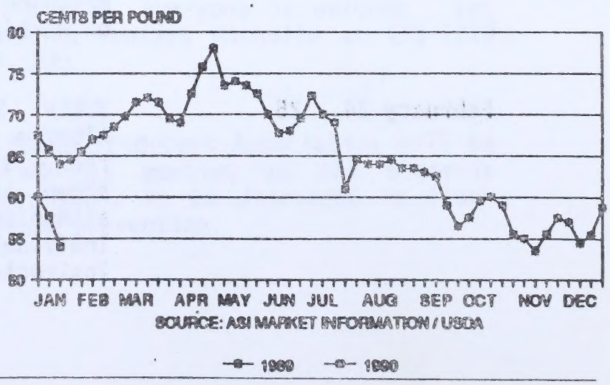

FOR 24-HOUR LAMB MARKET NEWS CALL 303-771-8472

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February 5	Mountain View Sheep Producers Association meeting at the Olds College Sheep Barn. Topic to be discussed is lambing. This will be a hands-on clinic. Bring clean coveralls and disinfected boots. 7:30 P.M. Everyone welcome.
February 9	The Northwest Sheep Producers Association will be having their monthly meeting at the Glenevis Goodwill Store. Topic to be discussed is feeding the ewe and lamb.
February 15	North-Central Sheep Sales. Fat and Feeder Lambs. Ewe sale also indicated. Edmonton Public Stockyards. Deadline for sheep deliveries at all sales is 9:00 A.M. For additional information contact Bruce McGhan, Box 739, Calmar, TOC OVO, phone 985-3744.
February 21 - 23	SHEEP PRODUCERS' SCHOOL, Olds College, Olds, Alberta. 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Pre-registration fee - $140.00. Designed for producers with varying levels of experience. Topics to choose from include: handling, condition scoring, lambing and postpartum care, different breeds and their characteristics, record keeping, merchandising meat and wool, and special sessions on working with wool and cooking with lamb.
February 24 - 25	SHEEP SHEARING COURSE, Olds College, Olds, Alberta. 8:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Pre-registration fee - $125.00. Be confident shearing your own sheep and get the most of your wool after attending this intensive two day course. Individualized instruction and plenty of sheep. Instructors: Bruce McGhan and Barry Wilson.

February 24	Monthly Sheep and Goat Sale at Camrose Auction Market, 672-4496, Camrose at 3:00 P.M. For further information contact S. Spahic, Box 89, Hay Lakes, T0B 1W0, phone 878-3784.
February 24	Meat Goat Symposium. Sponsored by Chevon Division of Alberta Goat Breeders Association. Westlock Inn. 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. Guest speakers will focus on herd health. Customized goat salt mix (Bovatec) will be on sale in 20 kilogram bags. Call Sara Emond, 789-2279 for more information.
February 28	Meeting of the Medicine Hat & District Sheep Producers Group. 7:30 P.M. in Room 116 Medicine Hat, Provincial Building. Speaker TBA. For further information contact Rita Laczkowski at 832-2300 or John VanKeulen at 529-3616.
March 5	Mountain View Sheep Producers Association meeting at Olds College Riding Arena (upstairs). Topic to be discussed is genetics. Speaker TBA. 7:30 P.M. Everyone welcome.
March 7	Entry Date for the Ram Test Station. You are invited to enter ram lambs into this year's station test. As soon as you have decided to enter rams into this year's station test, please contact the Station Manager, Cathy Gallivan (948-8517) so the pre-entry veterinary inspection can be arranged where required.
March 8	Attention all Camrose area sheep producers. A general sheep production meeting is going to take place in the Camrose D.A. office conference room, starting at 7:00 P.M. Topics to be discussed include lambing management, marketing alternatives and predator control. Everyone is welcome. For further information contact Michelle at 679-1210 or Wray at 427-5083.
March 9	The Northwest Sheep Producers Association will be having their monthly meeting at the Glenevis Goodwill Store. Topic to be discussed is flock health and disease prevention.

March 15	North-Central Sheep Sales. Fat and Feeder Lambs. Easter Lamb Sale 40-60 lbs. Ewe sale also indicated. Edmonton Public Stockyards. Deadline for sheep deliveries at all sales is 9:00 A.M. For additional information contact Bruce McGhan, Box 739, Calmar, TOC OVO, phone 985-3744.
March 21	Entry Date for the Ram Test Station. You are invited to enter ram lambs into this year's station test. As soon as you have decided to enter rams into this year's station test, please contact the Station Manager, Cathy Gallivan (948-8517) so the pre-entry veterinary inspection can be arranged where required.
March 21	A meeting of shareholders of the Canadian Cooperative Woolgrowers will take place at 7 P.M. at the Multicultural Centre in Stony Plain. For further information call 963-4343 or 785-2084.
March 28	Meeting of the Medicine Hat & District Sheep Producers Group. 7:30 P.M. in Room 116 Medicine Hat, Provincial Building. Speaker TBA. For further information contact Rita Laczkowski at 832-2300 or John VanKeulen at 529-3616.
March 31	Monthly Sheep and Goat Sale at Camrose Auction Market, 672-4496, Camrose at 3:00 P.M. For further information contact S. Spahic, Box 89, Hay Lakes, TOB 1WO, phone 878-3784.
April 2	Mountain View Sheep Producers Association meeting at the Olds College Riding Arena. Topic to be discussed is accelerated lambing. Speaker TBA. 7:30 P.M. Everyone welcome.
April 4	Entry Date for the Ram Test Station. You are invited to enter ram lambs into this year's station test. As soon as you have decided to enter rams into this year's station test, please contact the Station Manager, Cathy Gallivan (948-8517) so the pre-entry veterinary inspection can be arranged where required.

April 5	North-Central Sheep Sales. Fat and Feeder Lambs. Ewe sale also indicated. Edmonton Public Stockyards. Deadline for sheep deliveries at all sales is 9:00 A.M. For additional information contact Bruce McGhan, Box 739, Calmar, TOC OVO, phone 985-3744.
April 7-8	SHEEP SHEARING COURSE. Sheep Unit, Lakeland College. 8:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. $120.00. This two day workshop will provide sheep producers with the skills needed to shear their own sheep. Participants will receive instruction and demonstration in shearing methods and will have ample opportunity to practice on sheep from the colleges sheep flock. The instructor will be Bruce McGhan.
April 25	Meeting of the Medicine Hat & District Sheep Producers Group. 7:30 P.M. in Room 116 Medicine Hat, Provincial Building. Speaker TBA. For further information contact Rita Laczkowski at 832-2300 or John VanKeulen at 529-3616.
April 28	Monthly Sheep and Goat Sale at Camrose Auction Market, 672-4496, Camrose at 3:00 P.M. For further information contact S. Spahic, Box 89, Hay Lakes, TOB 1WO, phone 878-3784.
June 14-16	1990 All-Canada Sheep Classic. Canada's elite ram and ewe sale will, for the first time, be staged on the West Coast. This annual event, sponsored by the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association, will be held at Central Fraser Valley Exhibition Park, Clearbrook, British Columbia. Contact Terry Thorne, Publicity (604) 888-2313 or Jan Tuytel, Chairman (604) 530-0148, 1990 All-Canada Sheep Classic, 23336 52nd Avenue, R R #13, Langley, B.C., Canada V3A 7N6.
June 29-30	Wild Rose Sheep Sale - Cow Palace, Olds. Entries close April 2, 1990. To receive a catalogue in the spring, please call or write A.S.B.A. office in Calgary at #212, 6715 - 8th Street N.E., T2E 7H7, phone 295-2185 or FAX 295-3122. For more information contact Warren Moore at R R #2, Lousana, TOM 1KO, phone 749-2023.

Letters
Your Opinion

In the past couple of months, producers with concerns or comments on the sheep industry have sent in a letter to me as the editor of Footnotes. I want to encourage anyone who has thought about writing a letter to the editor, to do so. If you have something to say, then, say it. Sheep producers across western Canada will see it. I only have two restrictions. First, I have the right to exercise editorial license which basically means if the subject matter or theme of the letter is confusing, I will contact the author and we will rewrite it into a clearer form. Second, the letter must be signed by the author.

Anyone who wants to contribute a letter to the editor is welcome to do so.

Wray Whitmore
Editor, Sheep Footnotes

The Flock Guard Dog In Western Canada

There has been much interest in the past few months in the use of Predator control dogs for sheep flocks. This is not a new idea as flock guard dogs have been used for many years in North America. There are many ideas on how to train the dogs as there are owners and breeds. Some popular breeds are Akbash, Kuvas, Pyrenees and Komondors, all large white dogs. At least one flock is having excellent luck with their neighbors Golden Lab, another swears by their coyote hating Newfoundlander.

Some breeders take young puppies and put them in with the sheep confining them at first and feeding them in the sheep area. Others treat them like any affectionate loving puppy and get equally good results.

At around six months the dogs start actively patrolling the sheep bedding area barking and establishing a territory. During the day they scout around a bit, stand in the wrong places and sleep a lot. Our own dogs are not killers but some individuals are. It's important to remember that this is an animal not a Predator Cure-All. In the next six months before we got our dog we lost twenty-one sheep to coyotes. As long as she is able to patrol we have no kills. For the first summer, the barking made me crazy; now I can't sleep if she's quiet.

The Ponoka Sheep Producers Group has several people with young pups now, so by next year we should have a lot more info on how they work in our small flock situations.

For more information, contact Wray at 427-5083, John Bourne at 853-8109 or Edith Williams at 784-3511.

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NEWS RELEASE FROM ASBA

Let us help you advertise your breeding stock. We are in the process of publishing a new breed directory and are offering you the opportunity to buy advertising space at low rates. This handy sized book will contain the names and addresses of all breeders of registered sheep in Alberta and will travel to many agricultural events in North America, South America, Mexico and Europe.

Contact people are:

1) Reg Marler	467-3179
2) Stan Sweetman	748-3812
3) Edith Williams	784-3511
4) Peggy Newman	652-7563

ALBERTA SHEEP & WOOL COMMISSION

1990 ANNUAL ZONE MEETINGS

FRESH ALBERTA LAMB
You Deserve The Best

ZONE #1	**FORT MACLEOD - PINCHER CREEK - CARDSTON - NANTON**
DATE:	**MONDAY MARCH 26, 1990**
TIME:	7:00 PM
PLACE:	SCARLET & GOLD INN FORT MACLEOD, ALTA (DIRECTOR ELECTION SCHEDULED)
ZONE #2	**LETHBRIDGE - MEDICINE HAT - MILK RIVER**
DATE:	**TUESDAY MARCH 27, 1990**
TIME:	7:00 PM
PLACE:	HERITAGE INN, TABER, ALBERTA
ZONE #3	**OLDS - CALGARY - BROOKS**
DATE:	**TUESDAY MARCH 13, 1990**
TIME:	7:00 PM
PLACE:	WHEATLAND COUNTY INN - STRATHMORE, ALBERTA
ZONE #4	**WETASKIWIN - RED DEER - CORONATION - ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE**
DATE:	**FRIDAY MARCH 30, 1990**
TIME:	7:00 PM
PLACE:	ROOM A, 3RD FLOOR, PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT REGIONAL CENTRE RED DEER, ALBERTA
ZONE #5	**WAINWRIGHT - VEGREVILLE - ST. PAUL - LLOYDMINSTER**
DATE:	**SATURDAY MARCH 17, 1990**
TIME:	1:00 PM
PLACE:	BRUNSWICK MOTOR INN, VERMILLION, ALBERTA (DIRECTOR ELECTION SCHEDULED)
ZONE #6	**THORHILD - EDMONTON - DRAYTON VALLEY - WHITECOURT**
DATE:	**FRIDAY MARCH 16, 1990**
TIME:	7:00 PM
PLACE:	PROVINCIAL BUILDING, STONY PLAIN, ALBERTA
ZONE #7	**PEACE RIVER - VALLEYVIEW**
DATE:	**SATURDAY MARCH 3, 1990**
TIME:	1:00 PM
PLACE:	COURTESY CORNER RESTAURANT, RYCROFT, ALBERTA (DIRECTOR ELECTION SCHEDULED)

PLEASE ATTEND THE MEETING CLOSEST TO YOUR OPERATION.

NOTE: YOU MUST BE A RESIDENT SHEEP PRODUCER IN THE ZONE WHERE ELECTIONS ARE SCHEDULED IN ORDER TO VOTE. PHONE THE ALBERTA SHEEP & WOOL COMMISSION OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

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PREVENTION OF POLIOENCEPHALOMALACIA IN SHEEP

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Polioenchphalomalacia (PEM) is disorder of sheep and cattle that is caused by a lack of the B vitamin, thiamin. Animals with PEM become blind, and are depressed and incoordinated. Excess salivation may be noticed. Death from the disorder can occur in 1 to 2 days. If PEM is suspected a veterinarian should be consulted to confirm diagnosis and to prescribe treatment for affected animals.

Normally the microbial population in the rumen makes enough thiamin to sustain the host animal. However, on high grain diets sufficient thiamin may not be available. Also, sulphates in the water source can interfere with thiamin metabolism and several wild plant species are known to destroy thiamin in the rumen.

PEM can often be prevented by adding 5-10 mg of thiamin per kg of diet dry matter (Blood and Radostits, 1989). This has been successful in preventing PEM in several Alberta flocks and can be accomplished in sheep rations with the following program:

1. Buy a custom pelleted supplement meeting the following specifications:

Thiamin mononitrate	110 mg/kg
Vitamin A	35,000 IU/kg
Vitamin D	3,500 IU/kg
Vitamin E	350 IU/kg
Copper	50 mg/kg
Managanese	500 mg/kg
Zinc	500 mg/kg
Selenium	2 mg/kg
Cobalt	2 mg/kg
Iodine	10 mg/kg

2. Feed the pelleted supplement at the following rates:

-lambs under 40 kg	100 - 150 grams/head/day
-ewes and lambs over 40 kg	200 - 300 grams/head/day
-mature rams	300 - 400 grams/head/day

If you prefer imperial units:

-lambs under 88 lb	3.5 - 5.5 ounces/head/day
-ewes and lambs over 88 lb	7.0 - 11.0 ounces/head/day
-mature rams	10.5 - 14.0 ounces/head/day

This program was developed assuming total daily dry matter intakes of:

-lambs under 40 kg	1.0 - 1.5 kg/day	2.2 - 3.3 lb/day
-lambs over 40 kg and ewes	2.0 - 3.0 "	4.4 - 6.6 "
-mature rams	3.0 - 4.0 "	6.6 - 9.9 "

The inclusion of vitamins (other than thiamin) and trace minerals in the supplement is not essential for the preventation of PEM, but why not use the supplement as a convienient and accurate way of supplying these needed nutrients as well? The custom supplement will provide the following level of supplementation:

NUTRIENT	DAILY REQUIREMENT		AMOUNT SUPPLIED IN		
	Lambs	Ewes	100 g	200 g	300 g
Vit. A IU	4-6,000	5-10,000	3500	7,000	10,500
Vit. D IU	300-400	500-600	350	700	1,050
Vit. E IU	15-25	30-45	35	70	105
Copper mg/kg	8-12	16-24	5	10	15
Managanese "	40-60	100-150	50	100	150
Zinc "	40-60	100-150	50	100	150
Selenium "	0.2-0.3	0.4-0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6
Cobalt "	0.2-0.3	0.4-0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6
Iodine "	0.5-0.8	1.5-2.5	1	2	3

This program is just one option available for supplying added thiamin to the diet of sheep. However, because such a small amount of thiamin mononitrate is required per head per day, I recommend that a commercially manufactured premix or supplement be used to carry it into the ration. If a creep ration or other complete feed is being used then it is best to add the thiamin directly to this feed.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the author at 436-9150.

New Feedlot Lamb Plan Being Considered

After lengthy discussions between governments and the lamb industry, final touches are now being prepared to a new FEEDLOT LAMB OPTION to be included under the existing National Tripartite Stabilization Plan for Lambs in Canada.

A new schedule to accommodate the feedlot lamb option as well as an amendment to the current NTSP Agreement is being prepared for signature of Agriculture Ministers in participating provinces. Once approved by signatories, details regarding the program, enrollment deadlines and coverage periods will be available.

Feedlot operators interested in receiving program information should contact:

CENTRAL PROGRAM SUPPORT
#306, 7000 - 113 Street
Edmonton, AB T6H 5T6

Toll-free: 1-800-232-9479

"WILD ROSE" SALE PROGRAM
SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 1990
COW PALACE, OLDS, ALBERTA

ARRIVAL - Friday, June 29 - 10:00 A.M.
Pens will have been set up and bedded.

HANDLERS must provide registry certificates, transfers and Federal Flock Health chart to sale committee representatives; also be ready to assist with (1) tattoo check; (2) physical inspection; and (3) lot number.

WASHING & TRIMMING - if any, are to be fully completed by 4:00 p.m. on Friday.

SIFTING & PAINT BRANDING - 4:00 p.m., Friday, June 29.

CONSIGNORS are permitted to hang breeder signs and decorate their pens as they see fit; keeping in mind that an attractive display must be maintained.

SHEEP WILL BE DISPLAYED - Saturday, June 30 after 9:00 a.m.

SALE BEGINS - 12:00 NOON

SALE ORDER - TO BE ANNOUNCED

SALE CATEGORIES
(1) Ewe - 2 tooth (yearling)
(2) Senior Ewe Lamb - milk teeth - born before December 31, 1989
(3) Junior Ewe Lamb - milk teeth - born January 1, 1990 and later.
(4) Ram - 2 tooth (yearling)
(5) Senior Ram Lamb - milk teeth - born before December 31, 1989
(6) Junior Ram Lamb - milk teeth - born January 1, 1990 and later.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & CATALOGUES
Alberta Sheep Breeders' Association
#212 6715 8th St. N.E.
Calgary, Alberta
T2E 7H7 Ph. 403-295-2185

SALE COMMITTEE
Edith Williams - 784-3511
Mark Matejka - 783-6389
Barry Wilson - 556-8202
Warran Moore - 749-2023
(Chairman)

WILDROSE SALE

JUNE 30, 1990 OLDS ALBERTA
The Cow Palace 12:00 NOON

BREED _____

CONSIGNOR'S NAME _____ TEL _____

ADDRESS _____ POSTAL CODE _____

NAME OF ANIMAL _____ TATTOO _____

REG NO _____ SEX _____ TYPE OF BIRTH (____) S, Tw, Tr BIRTH DATE _____ D M Y

BREED CLASS NO _____

SECTION _____

R.O.P. DATA (kg)

Type of Test

Home _____ Station _____

60 da. adj. wt. _____

100 da adj wt _____

A.D.G _____

Multiple Lamb Index _____

ANCESTRY (indicate type of birth in brackets)

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WILD ROSE SALE - JUNE 30, 1990

GENERAL SALE REGULATIONS
ENTRIES CLOSE - APRIL 2, 1990

1. A contributor will be permitted to enter up to a maximum of THREE rams, and for each ram there must be an entry of THREE ewes from the same consignor.

2. There shall be a limit of 15 ewes per breed entered for sale by a contributor.

3. All consignors must be a current member of the A.S.B.A. (Fee - $20.00).

4. A contributor may place one reserve bid on any entry to the Auctioneer. In each case where the reserve bid is not reached, the seller shall be obliged to pay the full regular sale comission.

5. That all sale entries shall carry less than 3/4" of wool and that all entries be washed and trimmed prior to arrival in order to achieve the best presentation. Wool breeds exempt, but must be shorn within the calendar year.

6. Each entry must be registered with the C.N.L.S.R., legibly tattooed and eligible for export, with said certificate and properly completed application for transfer supplied to the sale committee on or before FRIDAY, JUNE 29.

7. Fully completed entry forms must be received in office of the Co-ordinator by MONDAY, APRIL 2, 1990.

8. The 3rd generation pedigree information must be provided on all entry forms.

9. Substitutions are allowed at $5.00 for rams and $5.00 for ewes to a maximum of TWO per breed. Substitutions may be made on spring lambs at no cost.

10. It is recommended that R.O.P. 100 day A.D.G. be included on the entry form.

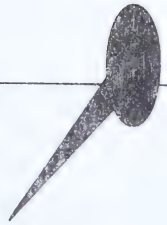
11. If ewes are exposed, state approximate lambing date and name of stud ram.

12. ENTRY FEE of $10.00 per head must accompany your entry form.

13. The sale commission established will be deducted from each consignor's sale proceeds on the final bid price.

14. Settlement must be made to clerk of the sale on sale day, with copy of release provided to doorman before physical removal of animals will be permitted.

15. Each contributor shall obtain Agriculture Canada (Federal) Flock Health Certificates which are required to facilitate shipments for export. In event that a Flock Health Chart is NOT provided, it may be necessary to announce that such sheep are not eligible for export sale.



Up To

$1,000.00

Will Be Paid For A

Viable

Fertile

Spider Ram

Price depends on condition of ram. Ram will be used to sire (either naturally or by AI) carrier ewes for use in a ram test program.

The Alberta Sheep Breeders Association
Spider Syndrome Committee

403-948-8517

Alberta
AGRICULTURE
Agricultural Regional Centre

Bag Service No. 1, Airdrie, Alberta, Canada T4B 2C1 403/948-8511 TWX 610-821-2029 FAX 403/948-8548

January 5, 1990

Dear Sheep Producer:

Enclosed are information and application materials for the 1990 Alberta Ram Test Station and Sale. The entry dates for next year's test are March 7th, March 21st and April 4th.

Olds College has completed major renovations which will allow us to house the rams in large paddocks (approximately 80'X300') with portable shelter sheds, similar to the accomodation in which white-faced rams have performed so well for the past two years. This will allow us to house groups of rams more equitably and eliminate crowding.

There are a few changes to the rules this year, particularly relating to fees and preregistration. These changes have been necessary as a result of the dramatic increase in number of rams tested in the past two years and as a result of the improved facilities. Changes are marked with an * in the attached information. Please read this information carefully, and when you have decided how many rams to enter this year, fill out the attached form and return it to me by February 16th, to guarantee your pen space. RAMS WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN PREREGISTERED WILL NOT BE ADMITTED TO THE TEST STATION.

If you have any questions or comments about the 1990 Alberta Ram Test Station, please do not hesitate to contact me at 948-8517.

I hope you are all enjoying a good lambing.

Yours truly,

Cathy Gallivan

Cathy Gallivan
Sheep Specialist

1989 ALBERTA RAM TEST STATION

OLDS COLLEGE

ENTRY DATES		VETERINARY INSPECTION (New Contributors or Out of Province Contributors)
I	March 7, 1990	Please, as soon as you have decided to enter rams into this year's test, contact the Station Manager, Cathy Gallivan at 403-948-8517 to obtain a pre-entry veterinary inspection form to be filled out by your veterinarian when your flock is inspected. The cost of this pre-entry inspection is the responsibility of the contributor.
II	March 21, 1990	
III	April 4, 1990	

1989 ALBERTA RAM TEST STATION REGULATIONS

I. ELIGIBILITY

1. Any sheep breeder may enter ram lambs which are registered or eligible for registration. Ewe lambs will not be accepted on test.

2. Ram lambs born in the fall of 1989 or later will be eligible for test.

* 3. Ram lambs which have been shorn will not be eligible for test.

* 4. Due to space restrictions, in 1990, only producers who have preregistered and paid deposits for their rams will be admitted. It is understandable if producers bring fewer rams than expected, but lambs in excess of the number preregistered will not be accepted. There is no limitation on the number of lambs a breeder may enter on test. However, if pen space becomes a problem, those breeders entering more than ten rams may be required to limit their entries.

* 5. All rams must have their feet trimmed and be tattooed prior to entry. The only exception will be for new breeders who have not yet received their flock letters.

6. Sheep which come from a bluetongue area as defined by Agriculture Canada will not be accepted.

7. Prior to entering lambs on test, all new contributors' as well as all out of province contributors' flocks must be inspected and found free of communicable disease or condition potentially dangerous to the health of other animals at the station.

8. Any contributor may be subject to a flock health inspection at the discretion of the station management.

9. All rams will be carefully inspected on arrival at the station and may be refused entry for health reasons or for any unsoundness which will result in it being culled from the sale after completing test.

* 10. In 1990, rams with clinical evidence of soremouth will not be accepted. In addition, if one or more of the rams submitted by a producer have clinical evidence of soremouth, the entire group will be rejected. Producers are encouraged to carefully examine their rams before coming to the test station to avoid disappointment.

11. At delivery to the test station, live weight of each lamb must be 22.7-34.1 kg (50-75 lb) for Suffolk and Hampshire lambs or 20.5-31.8 kg (45-70 lb) for other breeds.

II. PROCEDURES

1. Rams which are eligible for entry will be :

    a. given a test station eartag (large plastic tags or tags which are causing damage to the ears will be removed at this time)
    b. fecal sampled
    c. dewormed (Ivomec)
    d. given an 8-way vaccination
    e. given a Hemophilus vaccination
    f. footbathed in a zinc sulphate solution

2. During the course of the test, all rams will be:

    a. blood sampled for Brucella ovis
    b. given one 8-way booster
    c. given two Hemophilus boosters

3. All lambs will be fed free choice a pelleted ration and hay. Loose salt and mineral will also be available at all times. Each pen will have automatic waterers.

4. All lambs will be fed in groups such that lambs of different entry groups, sizes and breeds are kept as separately as possible.

5. Following a 14 day adjustment period, all lambs will commence a 56 day performance test. They will be weighed on test and every two weeks thereafter. On test, mid test and off test weights will be the average of weights taken on two consecutive days. Reports will be mailed to all contributors every two weeks beginning when the first entry group reaches the mid test point.

6. Following the completion of test, a final performance report will be issued which will include:

   a. actual on test and off test weights of each ram
   b. average daily gain on test of each lamb
   c. average daily gain index of each lamb within breed
   d. ultrasonic backfat measurement of each lamb

* 7. PRIOR TO THE LAST OFF TEST WEIGH DATE, CONTRIBUTORS MUST SUBMIT THREE GENERATION PEDIGREES, COMPLETED APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION AND SIGNED TRANSFERS FOR EACH LAMB. IF THESE ARE NOT RECEIVED BY THIS DATE (June 13th in 1990) THE RAM WILL BE CULLED FROM THE SALE.

8. Only the lambs which gain above the average for their breed will be further considered for sale. These rams will be shorn and subjected to a physical cull. Rams which pass the physical cull will be eligible for sale.

9. Contributors with lambs eligible for sale are not obliged to enter them in the sale. Lambs may be removed from the test station at any time after the off test weighing.

10. No animal will be released from the test station prior to the end of test without permission of the station manager. The manager reserves the right to reject any animal during the test and request the owner to remove it from the test station.

11. Visitors to the test station while lambs are on test are encouraged, but interested persons are advised to contact Barry Wilson (556-8202) prior to their arrival.

III. FEES

1. Alberta Agriculture will provide the test station, the required manpower, facilities, technical assistance and supervision. Breeders entering rams on test shall pay for the feed and extra veterinary expenses only.

* 2. The fee for 1990 will be $50 per lamb entered on test. Half of this fee must be paid upon preregistration of the lambs and the remainder on delivery to the station.

3. Since Alberta Agriculture is subsidizing the test station and sale to the level of approximately $50 per lamb, contributors from outside the province will be required to pay an additional $50 per lamb above the aforementioned fee.

4. For a premium of $5 per lamb, contributors may insure their rams against death loss between the time of entry and the fall of the hammer. Payout will be determined by dividing the number of insured rams which die into the total collected premium. Payout shall not exceed $150 per head. Any surplus in collected premiums will be refunded each year to contributors who purchase this insurance.

5. Cheques or money orders for fees should be made payable to Olds College.

6. All fees connected with the test station must be paid the animals are released.

IV. COMMITTEES

1. The Alberta Sheep ROP Advisory Board reserves the right to make all decisions regarding the ram test station.

2. The committee consists of:

    a. Two producers appointed by the Alberta Sheep Breeders Association - Mr. Clarence Jones & Mr. Peter McCart.
    b. Two producers appointed by the Alberta Sheep & Wool Commission - Mr. Ian Clark & Mr. Pat Barott
    c. Agriculture Canada - Mr. Mike Southwood
    d. Veterinary Services - Dr. Ray Fenton
    e. Chairman - Mr. Ross Gould, Alberta Agriculture
    f. Ms. Cathy Gallivan - Test Station Manager
    g. Mr. Wray Whitmore - Home Test Coordinator

* 3. The Culling Committee consists of two purebred breeders who are not test station contributors and one commercial producer representing buyer interests.

ALBERTA RAM TEST STATION SALE REGULATIONS

I. ELIGIBILITY

1. Entries for the ram sale will consist only of rams which have been tested in the ram test station.

2. All animals entered for sale must have gained above the average for their breed, have passed the physical cull and be in sound health on sale day.

3. All animals offered for sale must have been owned by the contributor at least 60 days prior to the sale.

4. All animals entered for sale must be identified in accordance with the requirements of Canadian National livestock Records. Tattoo and tags must correspond with the registration applications.

II. ORDER OF SALE FOR SHEEP

1. The ram with the highest average daily gain will be sold first, regardless of index. Thereafter, rams will be sold in descending order of index.

2. For human health reasons, rams which are otherwise eligible for sale which have clinical evidence of soremouth on sale day will not be eligible for viewing and/or handling in the sale barn prior to the sale. These rams will be sold through the sale ring after the soremouth - free rams.

3. All of the yearling rams from the wool breeds test will be sold together at the mid point of the sale in descending order of Overall Index.

III. SALE PROCEDURES

1. At every sale, each bid shall be an offer by the person be deemed accepted by the fall of the hammer of the auctioneer, and thereupon a contract of sale shall be created.

2. No purchaser shall retract a bid after the hammer falls.

3. Immediately after each purchase is declared and the animal is removed from the sale ring to the pen by the seller, the risk thereof shall be exclusively with the purchaser, and until such settlement is made in terms of these conditions, the delivery of the animal or animals shall not be made.

4. Before the animal can be removed from the building, the buyer must present to the doorman an order signed by the clerk and give a receipt for the animal. This order must be left with the doorman and will be evidence of the delivery of the stock. Owners of animals that have been passed through the ring or have not been sold should procure an order from the cashier's office before removal.

5. Alberta Agriculture and/or Olds College shall have the power to give receipts in full for all payments on stock and will remit the amount realized, less the proper charges for each animal, to the seller thereof, as quickly as possible after the sale.

IV. FEES

1. The cost of registration and transfer of ownership of the animal will be the responsibility of the owner and will deducted from the sale proceeds.

2. Any test fees still owing to the Alberta Ram Test Station will be deducted from the sale proceeds.

* 3. To help cover the costs of advertising and running the sale, a commission of 1.5% will be charged in 1990.

V. PURCHASERS

1. All purchases must be settled for during or immediately after the sale.

2. For a premium of $20 per lamb, buyers may insure rams for a 30 day period following the sale. Insured value shall be deemed the lesser of purchase price or $300.

VI. BREEDING GUARANTEE

1. Contributors to this sale guarantee that, subject to proper treatment, with care and exercise, all animals are warranted for a period of six months following the sale to be breeders.

2. In case an animal proves to be a non-breeder, and providing the purchaser notifies the contributor within six months and proves his case, the contributor shall make adjustment

and shall have the opportunity of selecting one of the following options:

a. refund one-half of the purchase price
b. take the animal back and provide one of equal value, the contributor paying the transportation charges on the animal returned and the purchaser paying transportation charges on the replacement.
c. take the animal back, paying transportation charges on same and refund total purchase price.

3. The seller shall have the right, if he so desires, to try a ram for 30 days before making final adjustments to determine the ram's usefulness as a breeder.

4. Any contributor refusing to make adjustments of claims approved by the Advisory Committee may be refused the privilege of future test station sales.

VII. STATION MANAGEMENT

1. The Station Management will act as Agent only.

2. Every care will be exercised by the Station Management to prevent injury to or loss of property, and to ensure the prompt collection and delivery of animals to the proper destination, but the Station Management, acting as a medium between the buyer and seller, will not be responsible for any loss or damage whatsoever that may occur, or for any failure on the part of buyer or seller to live up to their obligations.

3. Neither will the Station Management assume any financial obligation to collect or enforce collection of any monies between parties, and any legal action that may, in exceptional cases, be taken, must be between the buyer and seller themselves.

4. In all cases however, the influence of the Station management will be exerted as far as possible, to hold all parties strictly to these regulations.

5. The Station Manager shall have the power to reject any entry.

6. The Station Management reserves the right to decide any point not covered by the rules but necessary to the proper regulation and management of the sale.

7. The Station Management is responsible to the seller only for the proceeds of the sale when received.

1990 ALBERTA RAM TEST STATION

PREREGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS: _____

ENTRY DATE	NUMBER OF RAMS	BREED

It is hereby understood that all lambs submitted by me to the 1990 Alberta Ram Test Station and Sale are at my risk, and that neither Alberta Agriculture, Olds College nor any persons employed by them will be liable in the event of death, sickness or injury to animals entered into the above programs. I consent to the publication of data relating to the performance of rams which I enter.

I have read the rules of the test station and sale and agree to abide by them.

SIGNED: _____
(Contributor)

Please return this form with a $25 deposit per ram to:

Cathy Gallivan
Sheep Specialist
Alberta Agriculture
Bag Service #1
Airdrie, AB
T4B 2C1

403-948-8517

MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO
OLDS COLLEGE

Methods For Rewarming Hypothermic Lambs

J.B. Robinson, M. Okamoto, B.A. Young and R.J. Christopherson
64th Annual Feeders' Day Report

Producers who are lambing their ewes in January and February must be careful with hypothermia (a fall in body temperature) in newborn lambs. If a lamb becomes chilled, it must be allowed to rewarm itself. Work has been conducted at the University of Alberta comparing different methods of rewarming hypothermic lambs.

Two experiments were performed on newborn lambs. In the first experiment the lambs temperature was dropped to 35°C (normal temperature is 39-40°C) and in the second experiment the lambs temperature was dropped to 30°C. The hypothermic lambs were then assigned to one of three rewarming treatments; insulated, heat lamp or warm water. For the insulated technique the lamb was dried, wrapped in cloth and placed in a covered plywood box measuring 50 cm x 37.5 cm x 60 cm deep with an air temperature of between 20 and 25°C. For the heat lamp technique the lamb was placed in the same plywood box fitted with a 250 watt infrared heat lamp. Initial temperature in the box was 20-25°C but after 30 minutes the box temperature was 34-37°C. The warm water treatment involved immersing the lamb in 38°C water until a normal body temperature was reached.

In experiment one (body temperature equals 35°C) the time required for body temperature to restabilize was similar for all treatments and averaged 18-22 minutes.

In experiment two (body temperature equals 30°C) the return to normal body temperature varied with treatment. Lambs took 26 minutes to rewarm when in warm water, 36 minutes under a heat lamp and 50 minutes when wrapped in cloth in the plywood box. Body temperature returned to normal values quicker when some supplemental heat was provided. The warm water reduced the time and amount of heat production needed to rewarm the lambs.

Summary

1. Hyopthermia in lambs can be treated successfully by insulation, heat lamp or warm water.

2. Warm water reduces the amount of metabolic effort required in rewarming.

3. In mild hypothermia, body temperature 35°C, all three methods of rewarming are equal. In a more severe hypothermia (30°C), return to normal body temperature was more rapid when lambs were provided with supplemental heat as warm water.

NOTE: When you find a chilled lamb, it is important that you take its body temperature and then start a rewarming technique that is appropriate. It is also very important that the lamb be fed (if it won't suckle, you have to stomach tube it).

The Classifieds

FOR SALE - SHEEP

EWE LAMBS from flock bred Polypay for 10 years. Selected for mothering ability. Naturally raised multiple births. V. Gleddie, Edmonton, 973-5627 (2)

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NEW CANADIAN Arcott breeders. Ram lambs for sale this next season, also wool. Jens & Alma Grosseth, St. Paul, 724-2458 (2)

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2 YR OLD 7/8 Suffolk ram, have used 2 years and need new bloodline. Also Romanov/Suffolk ram lambs. 696-3812, Breton (After 5 PM) (2)

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7 EXCELLENT quality yearling Dorset ewes. Bred Romanov and lambed end of March - $125 each. 1 mature Ramanov ram - $250. Isabel Warrington, 556-3814 (2)

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DORSET CROSS ewe lambs bred to Finn/Dorset ram. K.W. Klein, Grimshaw, 971-2350 (2)

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2 YR old Suffok ram. Lila Arthur, Wainwright, 842-5124 (2)

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4-H'ER anxious to sell one April '89 twin ram lamb. Dark in color. Purebred non-registered Suffolk from Reid breeding. Rachelle, Ardrossan, 922-4405 (2)

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EWE LAMBS. Exposed to ram Sept 1/89. Call Bill Eden, 689-2408, Boyle (2)

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80 EWES purebred Romanov. Due to lamb mid-January. Karen Derr, Gadsby, 574-2414 (2)

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FLOCK DISPERSAL - 300 mature ewes, predominantly Rambouillet, 52 Rambouillet X Romanov ewe lambs bred to lamb in February to Suffolk and Romanov rams. John Klok, Picture Butte, 738-4388 (2)

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2 REGISTERED Romney ram lambs from disease-free flock. Beautiful spinning fleece. 1 is from ewe that produced Grand Champion Fleece at '89 Farm Fair. Grand Champion Fleece and Reserse Champion Fleece (Black) also for sale. Hals 1/2 Aker, Henry and Esther Lambert, Winfield, 682-3742 (2)

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COMMERCIAL FLOCK dispersal - 32 ewes - Suffolk, Suffolk cross and North Country Cheviot. Average age 2-5 yrs. No culls. Healthy flock on regular deworming program. No keds, no foot rot. Lambed over 175% in 1989 including ewe lambs. Lambing records available. Asking $125 each. 1 purebred Suffok ram lamb - $150. 1 registered North Country Cheviot ram - $250. Call Linda, Newbrook, 576-2372 (2)

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13 BRED ewes - Finn/Suffolk/Rambouillet crosses. Clean, healthy sheep. Rhoda Stone, Peace River, 624-8515 (2)

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BRIGHTBANK FINNSHEEP has top quality Finn rams and ewes. New bloodlines available from semen imported from Finland. ROP tested. Visitors welcome. Kathy Playdon, Stony Plain, 963-0416 (3)

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TEASER RAM. $100 for best offer. Gail Snellen, Leduc, 986-0758 (3)

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34 YEARLING Suffolk ewes, 2 Suffolk rams, 1 teaser ram. All very uniform. Of good breeding. Suppose to lamb March 15/90. Dave Norton, Spruce View, 728-3992 (3)

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DISPERSAL SALE. 50 ewes, mixed breed, 2-6 yrs old. Bred to Polypay. $4000.00 or best offer. Polypay ram - 2 yrs old - $200.00. Norman Wiebe, Enderby, B.C. (604) 838-7368 (3)

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TAKING ORDERS now for Aug - Sept '89 born Dorset ewe lambs and ram lambs. Not available until spring. Breeding can be arranged. John or Edith Williams, Ponoka, 784-3511 (3)

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ATTENTION COMMERCIAL breeders. Winter sale Outaouais-Arcott ram lambs - $250. Prolificly in your replacement ewe lambs. Battlemede Farm, Westerose, 586-2768 (3)

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30 BRED ewes - $100 each. Dale Walker, Rockyford, 533-2135 (3)

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CAN YOU see a Polypay in your future? New bloodlines from Idaho registered and 35 grand dams. Lambs available spring & summer '90. Pipestone Creek Farm, Wembley, 766-2457 (3)

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10 BRED Suffolk ewes. 1st lambing April 1st. Walter Lewis, Cochrane, 932-4144 (3)

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10 BRED ewes, 2 Hampshire rams. Harriet Griffith, Hanna, 854-2506 (3)

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1 POLYPAY/FINN cross ram. 1 yr old. Twin out of triplet - $100. Merv Goldsney, Sherwood Park, 463-0683 (3)

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50 HEAD bred ewes to lamb in February. Alberta Hughes, Winfield, 682-2160 or 843-3066 (3)

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2 PUREBRED Suffolk rams. A 2 yr old & 5 yr old - papered. Rob, Sibbald, 676-2125 (3)

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APPROX 100 Suffolk/Dorset/Finn cross ewe lambs exposed to Finn, Dorset, Romanov rams - $100 each. Wayne Hommy, Beaverlodge, 354-2622 (3)

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PUREBRED ROMANOVS. Crossbred ewes and rams. Complete records. Highly prolific and early maturing. Out of season breeding. Excellent mothers. All ewes can be individually tipped and inspected. Lyle Bowles, Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, (306) 662-2916 (3)

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SMALL FLOCK lambed out at my farm. Shearing also available. Diane, Onoway, 967-5470 or leave messages at 967-5579 (3)

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COMMERCIAL FLOCK. 75 bred ewes. Average age 2-6 yrs. Bred to Columbia rams. Also 20 bred yearling ewes bred to Suffolk ram. Due to start lambing the first week of March. Don Bartman, Bassano, 641-3029 (after 5 PM please) (3)

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3 YEAR old Suffolk ram with papers. $150 or best offer. Suffolk ewe lambs $100 beginning in June. Sigmar Aubele, Colinton, 675-5596 (3)

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18 BRED Suffolk ewe lambs. Due in April. Peter & Brigit Hofer, Olds, 556-3146 (3)

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10 SEPTEMBER born 1/2 & 1/4 Finn ewe lambs - $115 each; 20 1/2 & 3/4 Finn ewe lambs bred to registered Finn - $135 each. All ewe lambs are twin or triplets. 40 2-5 yr old commercial ewes bred to Finn/Suffolk cross ram - $125 each. All ewes are OPP negative. (Will sell entire group for $8,000.00 with choice of three rams). Yearling and aged rams including registered Columbia, Finn and crosses, twins and triplets only. Closed flock and records available. Ailie Beaudry, Cherhill, 785-2916 after 5 PM (3)

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WHITE FACE Rambouillet ewe lambs. Ready June & July. Twilight Colony, Peace River, 837-8120 After 6 PM (3)

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FOR SALE - GOATS

PUREBRED ANGORA goats - bred does, doe kids, buck kids and wethers. Reasonable prices. Rhoda Stone, Peace River, 624-8515 (2)

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FOR SALE - DOGS

PUREBRED BORDER Collie pups, with papers. Working parents. $150 each. Ed & Marlene Harty, Lacombe, 782-5429 (2)

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2 REGISTERED Australian Shepherd pups. Black & tan female and blue merle male. 5 mos. old & ready for training. Parents excellent working dogs. Linda Hooper, Rochester, 698-2309 (2)

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PUREBRED RED Border Collie pups. Ready to go in mid-December. Randy Yaklin, Beaverlodge, 354-189 (2)

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REGISTERED BORDER Collie pups from Tina, sired by Elvin Kopp's Jeff. Both parents used on sheep, cow/calf operation. Winston Curtis, Winfield, 682-2124 (2)

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REGISTERED BORDER Collie pups from working parents. Have had first set of shots. Keith, Ponoka, 783-6889, after 6 PM (3)

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6 PUREBRED Border Collie pups from registered working parents and grandparents. Black & white. $200 each. Ready January 10. Come from very good tempered line. Jean Lamb, Beaverlodge, 356-2205 (3)

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REGISTERED BORDER Collie bitch. 2 yrs old. Started on sheep. $350. Tracy, Wetaskiwin, 352-4372 (3)

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PUREBRED REGISTERED Border Collie pups. Parents both working. Roy McNary, Wainwright, 842-2372 (3)

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1 1/2 YR old Sheltie female - $100. Needs room to run. 6 months old male Sheltie - $200. Teresa Graham, Lacombe, 782-2780 (3)

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PUPPIES. BOTH parents working dogs in a heavy infested coyote area. The mother is Great Pyrennes - father is Pyrennes and Irish Wolf Hound cross. Asking $50 for the males and $75 for the females. Brian, Devon, 987-3266 (3)

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PUREBRED & REGISTERED Australian Shepherd pups. Working, showing or pet. Have first shots. $150. Connie, Edmonton area, 998-0100 after 5:00 PM or leave message on machine (3)

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REGISTERED BORDER Collie pups. Working parents. Chris Schmaltz, Beiseker, 935-4543 (3)

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PUREBRED BORDER Collies from working parents. Sire is registered with top bloodlines. Dam unregistered from New Zealand origin. $100 and $150 Jim Sabin, Onoway, 967-4453 (3)

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KOMONDOR CKC registered pups. Both parents working dogs in a heavily infested coyote area. Fred or Marlene Brettell, Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, (306) 825-2640 (3)

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REGISTERED BORDER Collie pups. Whelped November 7th. Dam and sire from top champion and working bloodlines. Edwin Chileen, Pickardville, 961-2450 (3)

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STOCK DOGS - pups out of a daughter of world champion "Jeff" and "Hopps Taff". Also started dogs. Ron Gale, Sundre, 638-2836 (3)

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FOR SALE OR TRADE

PUREBRED BORDER Collie pups (6) ready to go Jan 15. Both parents registered and working stock dogs. $200 OR TRADE for sheep or milk goats. Katherine Hughesonan, Beaverlodge, 356-2205 (3)

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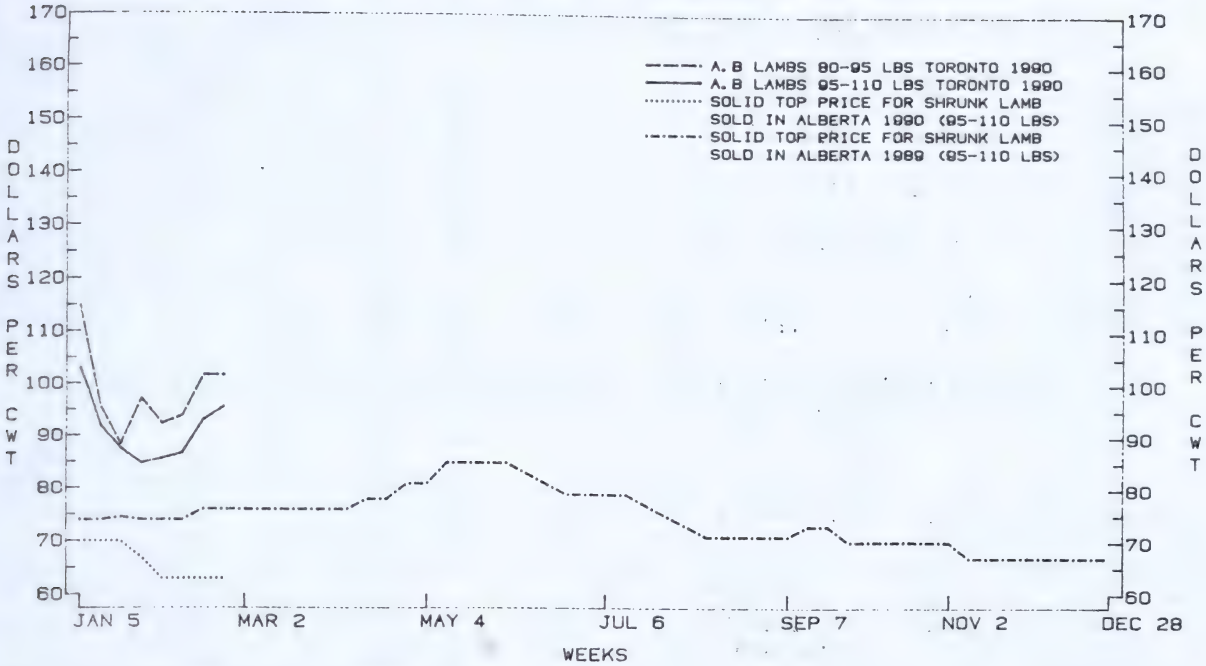

NOTE: INSUFFICIENT SALES FOR CERTAIN WEEKS.

Bids for slaughter lambs at Lambco, in Innisfail remained relatively low at $60-$63 per cwt during the month of February. Slaughter volumes in Alberta have continued to expand with February, 1990 slaughter at Lambco 13 percent higher than in February of last year.

At the last lamb sale in Edmonton, market lambs went for $62-$67 per cwt while feeder lambs sold at $65-$71 per cwt.

Large stocks of lamb have accumulated in the United States because of heavier slaughter volumes and continued slaughter of over weight lambs as compared to the winter months of last year. Prices in the United States for slaughter lambs are not expected to rise significantly until demand for lamb begins to peak, which is just before Easter. Tight supplies of feeder lambs have caused feeder lamb prices to begin to rise in Texas and the mid-west.

Statistics Canada's sheep and lamb inventory report for January 1, 1990 is summarized below. The total Canadian sheep flock has jumped by 7 percent with Ontario posting the largest expansion of nearly 17,000 head to 165,000 head. Alberta's flock size increased by 8,000 head to 142,000 head.

	TOTAL SHEEP AND LAMBS			1YEAR OR OLDER			UNDER 1 YEAR		
	1989	1990	90/89	1989	1990	90/89	1989	1990	90/89
	('000 HEAD)								
Maritimes	39.7	38.8	98%	30.8	29.6	96%	8.9	9.2	103%
Quebec	76.0	78.0	103%	65.0	66.0	102%	11.0	12.0	109%
Ontario	148.0	165.0	111%	106.8	117.3	110%	41.2	47.7	116%
TOTAL EAST	263.7	281.8	107%	202.6	212.9	105%	61.1	68.9	113%
Manitoba	14.5	16.0	110%	12.2	13.2	108%	2.3	2.8	122%
Saskatchewan	34.0	36.0	106%	23.1	24.2	105%	10.9	11.8	108%
Alberta	134.0	142.0	106%	88.5	93.7	106%	45.5	48.3	106%
B.C.	35.0	37.0	106%	25.4	26.5	104%	9.6	10.5	109%
TOTAL WEST	217.5	231.0	106%	149.2	157.6	106%	68.3	73.4	107%
CANADA	481.2	512.8	107%	351.8	370.5	105%	129.4	142.3	110%

PRICE RANGE AND VOLUMES FOR GOOD LAMBS 95-110 LBS AT LAMBCO

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	MONTHLY SUMMARY
CURRENT MON						
Feb 1990	60.00-63.00	60.00-63.00	60.00-63.00	60.00-63.00		60.00-63.00
LAST MON						
Jan 1989	67.00-70.00	67.00-70.00	67.00-70.00	64.00-67.00		66.25-69.25
YR AGO MON						
Feb 1990	71.00-74.00	71.00-74.00	73.00-76.00	73.00-76.00		72.00-75.00
VOLUMES						
Feb 1990	1,335	1,619	1,366	1,519		5,839
Feb 1989	1,075	1,230	1,529	1,332		5,166

PRICE RANGE AND VOLUMES FOR GOOD LAMBS 95-110 LBS AT TORONTO PUBLIC STOCKYARDS
(With Weighted average price in brackets beneath each range)

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	MONTHLY SUMMARY
CURRENT MON	74.00-90.00	85.00-96.00	90.00-108.00	90.00-107.00		19.19
Feb 1990	(85.55)	(86.59)	(92.99)	(95.56)		
LAST MON	95.50-106.00	84.00-94.00	84.00-91.00	70.00-89.00		91.14
Jan. 1989	(103.02)	(91.79)	(87.41)	(84.68)		
YR AGO MON	84.00-106.50	75.00-89.00	104.00-120.00	87.00-134.00		130.36
Feb 1990	(96.23)	(88.45)	(111.72)	(116.84)		
Feb/90 VOLUMES	60	51	63	105		
AVERAGE WEIGHT	102.4	103.8	103.1	99.9		

PRICE RANGE AND VOLUMES FOR GOOD LAMBS 80-95 LBS TORONTO PUBLIC STOCKYARDS
(Weighted average price in brackets beneath each range)

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	MONTHLY SUMMARY
CURRENT MON	78.00-103.00	78.00-114.00	90.00-110.00	89.00-110.00		96.11
Feb 1990	(92.31)	(93.88)	(101.74)	101.75		
LAST MON	98.00-115.00	84.00-108.00	84.00-106.00	80.00-100.00		94.36
Jan 1989	(114.83)	(95.59)	(88.35)	(97.16)		
YR AGO MON	80.00-118.00	83.00-114.00	100.00-132.00	112.00-134.00		104.39
Feb 1989	(98.54)	(93.23)	(118.01)	122.29		
Feb/90 VOLUMES	193	159	122	71		
AVERAGE WEIGHT	87.7	88.5	87.4	87.1		

Prices quoted for 95-110 lb lambs are bid prices at Lambco and auction prices at Toronto Public Stockyards for good quality lambs. The lower end of the Alberta price range reflects bids for short haul or unshrunk lambs while the upper end of the range represents bids for long haul or shrunk lambs. Producers delivering to the Toronto Public Stockyards pay commission and yardage fees for each animal sold. Producers delivering to Lambco pay $1/head checkoff to the Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission.

The Toronto auction price is from the Special Sheep and Lamb Sale held on Monday each week.

N.E.P. - No established price

Jo Ann Cmoluch, Market Economist
Market Analysis Branch
Phone: (403) 427-4002
March 5, 1990

As Of February 23, 1990

REPRESENTATIVE LIVE SALES

AREA	TYPE OF SHEEP	TYPE OF SALE	HEAD	LBS.	WEIGHING CONDITIONS	PRICE ($/CWT.)
WEST COAST						
California	Pasture	Direct	23375	125-135	Some with pay stop @125-130 lbs., shorn	62.00-63.00
California	Pasture	Direct	8625	130-140	$.40 off @130 lbs., shorn, FOB 4% shr.	62.00-63.00
MOUNTAIN						
Colorado	Old Crop	Auction	650	100-145	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	63.00-66.00
Colorado	Mixed	Auction	400	100-116	75% feeder lambs, wooled	64.00-67.75
Colorado	Feeder	Auction	200	60- 82	Choice & fancy, wooled	71.00-74.00
Colorado	Sl. Ewe	Auction	350	135-150	Utility	31.00-33.00
Colorado	St. Ewe	Auction	250		Solid mouth, preg. tested (per hd.)	67.00-75.00
Colorado	St. Ewe	Auction	600		Short term, preg. tested (per hd.)	45.00-57.00
SOUTH CENTRAL						
Texas	Old Crop	Auction	725	100-140	Choice & prime, shorn	61.00-63.50
Texas	Old Crop	Auction	250	115-145	Choice & prime, wooled	55.00-60.00
Kansas	Old Crop	Auction	150	95-119	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	62.50-67.00
Texas	Feedlot	Direct	11000	105-125	$.30 off @120 lbs., shorn, 51% yield guar.	62.00-65.00
Texas	Feedlot	Direct	2000	100-110	$.30 off @105 lbs., shorn, FOB 4% shr.	70.00
Texas	Feeder	Auction	200	45- 80	New crop, choice & fancy, wooled	80.00-86.00
Texas	Feeder	Auction	250	40- 70	Old crop, choice & fancy, wooled	72.00-76.50
Texas	Feeder	Auction	400	70- 80	Old crop, choice & fancy, wooled	70.00-75.00
Texas	Feeder	Auction	600	80- 90	Old crop, choice & fancy, wooled	67.00-75.00
Texas	Feeder	Auction	350	90-100	Old crop, choice & fancy, wooled	58.00-63.00
Texas	Sl. Ewe	Auction	625		Good	37.00-41.50
Texas	Sl. Ewe	Auction	1600		Utility	31.00-38.00
Texas	Sl. Ewe	Auction	400		Cull	21.00-31.00
Texas	St. Ewe	Auction	500		Ewes & lambs (per hd.)	25.00-35.00
NORTH CENTRAL						
Illinois	Old Crop	Direct	265	100-120	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	58.00-61.00
Iowa	Old Crop	Auction	350	105-130	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	61.00-66.50
IA-S.MN	Old Crop	Auction	4900	110-140	*See Note	60.00-65.00
Minnesota	Old Crop	Auction	325	100-120	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	60.00-64.00
Minnesota	Old Crop	Auction	275	120-140	Choice & prime, wooled	56.00-60.00
S. Dakota	Old Crop	Auction	600	102-116	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	65.35-67.75
S. Dakota	Old Crop	Auction	1200	118-138	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	61.50-66.25
S. Dakota	Old Crop	Auction	250	141-163	Choice & prime, wooled	57.10-61.60
Wisconsin	Old Crop	Computer	387	114	$.30 off @120 lbs., shorn, 3% shr.	63.50
Minnesota	Feeder	Auction	100	75-90	Choice & fancy, wooled	62.00-68.00
Minnesota	Feeder	Auction	150	90-100	Choice & fancy, wooled	60.00-62.00
S. Dakota	Feeder	Auction	700	68- 99	Choice & fancy, wooled	72.75-74.50
Minnesota	Sl. Ewe	Auction	100		Utility & good	18.00-22.00
S. Dakota	Sl. Ewe	Auction	400		Utility & good	19.25-24.50
S. Dakota	St. Ewe	Auction	275		Solid mouth, preg. tested (per hd.)	77.00-90.00
S. Dakota	St. Ewe	Auction	150		Short term, preg. tested (per hd.)	57.00-63.00
EASTERN						
Michigan	Old Crop	Auction	1150	100-120	Choice & prime, $3 wooled disc.	65.00-70.00
Ohio	Old Crop	Auction	500	100-120	Choice & prime, $2 wooled disc.	64.00-66.50
Virginia	Old Crop	Auction	144	95-125	Choice & prime, wooled & shorn	58.00-60.00
Virginia	Old Crop	Computer	821	95-125	Choice & prime $2 wooled $3 low choice disc.	63.25-64.25
Michigan	Sl. Ewe	Auction	350	110-170	Utility & cull	23.00-30.00

*Note: Slides include $.30 slide @125-130 lb., $.40 slide @140 lbs., $.20 slide @120 lbs., FOB 4% shrink or equivalent.

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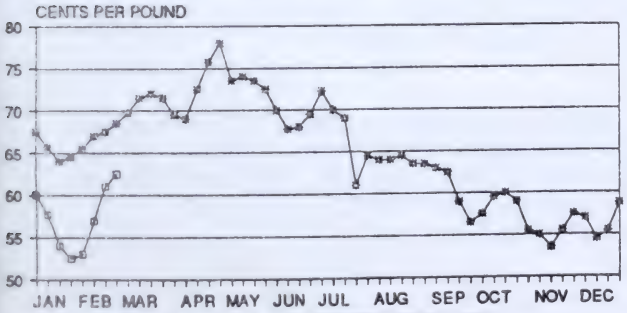

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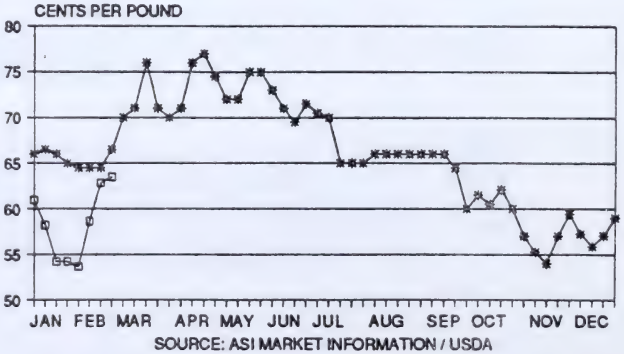

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March 15	North-Central Sheep Sales. Fat and Feeder Lambs. Easter Lamb Sale 40-60 lbs. Ewe sale also indicated. Edmonton Public Stockyards. Deadline for sheep deliveries at all sales is 9:00 A.M. For additional information contact Bruce McGhan, Box 739, Calmar, TOC OVO, phone 985-3744.
March 21	Entry Date for the Ram Test Station. You are invited to enter ram lambs into this year's station test. As soon as you have decided to enter rams into this year's station test, please contact the Station Manager, Cathy Gallivan (948-8517) so the pre-entry veterinary inspection can be arranged where required.
March 21	A meeting of shareholders of the Canadian Cooperative Woolgrowers will take place at 7 P.M. at the Multicultural Centre in Stony Plain. For further information call 963-4343 or 785-2084.
March 28	Meeting of the Medicine Hat & District Sheep Producers Group. 7:30 P.M. in Room 116 Medicine Hat, Provincial Building. Speaker TBA. For further information contact Rita Laczkowski at 832-2300 or John VanKeulen at 529-3616.
March 31	Monthly Sheep and Goat Sale at Camrose Auction Market, 672-4496, Camrose at 3:00 P.M. For further information contact S. Spahic, Box 89, Hay Lakes, TOB 1WO, phone 878-3784.
April 2	Mountain View Sheep Producers Association meeting at the Olds College Riding Arena. Topic to be discussed is accelerated lambing. Speaker - Cathy Gallivan, Alberta Agriculture. 7:30 P.M. Everyone welcome.

April 4	Entry Date for the Ram Test Station. You are invited to enter ram lambs into this year's station test. As soon as you have decided to enter rams into this year's station test, please contact the Station Manager, Cathy Gallivan (948-8517) so the pre-entry veterinary inspection can be arranged where required.
April 5	North-Central Sheep Sales. Fat and Feeder Lambs. Edmonton Public Stockyards. Deadline for sheep deliveries at all sales is 9:00 A.M. For additional information contact Bruce McGhan, Box 739, Calmar, TOC OVO, phone 985-3744.
April 7-8	SHEEP SHEARING COURSE. Sheep Unit, Lakeland College. 8:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. $120.00. This two day workshop will provide sheep producers with the skills needed to shear their own sheep. Participants will receive instruction and demonstration in shearing methods and will have ample opportunity to practice on sheep from the colleges sheep flock. The instructor will be Bruce McGhan.
April 10	The Battle River Sheep Producers Association will have a presentation on farm safety by Eric Jones, Farm Safety Specialist. The talk will begin at 7:00 P.M. in the Ponoka Provincial Building. Any interested producers are invited to attend.
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June 14-16	1990 All-Canada Sheep Classic. Canada's elite ram and ewe sale will, for the first time, be staged on the West Coast. This annual event, sponsored by the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association, will be held at Central Fraser Valley Exhibition Park, Clearbrook, British Columbia. Contact Terry Thorne, Publicity (604) 888-2313 or Jan Tuytel, Chairman (604) 530-0148, 1990 All-Canada Sheep Classic, 23336 52nd Avenue, R R #13, Langley, B.C., Canada V3A 7N6.
June 29-30	Wild Rose Sheep Sale - Cow Palace, Olds. Entries close April 2, 1990. To receive a catalogue in the spring, please call or write A.S.B.A. office in Calgary at #212, 6715 - 8th Street N.E., T2E 7H7, phone 295-2185 or FAX 295-3122. For more information contact Warren Moore at R R #2, Lousana, TOM 1KO, phone 749-2023.
July 15 - 18	The 1990 West Canadian National Goat Show will be held in conjunction with the Red Deer Westerner Exhibition. Booth space for displays is available. For further information contact Dorothy Broadbent, Ponoka, 783-5927.
September 8 & 9	Olde Tyme Sheep Fair, Red Deer Westerner. Details in following issues.

ATTENTION SHEEP FOOTNOTES READERS! Anyone who could not attend this years Sheep Symposium - held last November-December - but has an interest in the information presented, can obtain a copy of the Symposium proceedings by sending $10.00 (cheques payable to Alberta Sheep Breeders' Association) to Wray Whitmore, Sheep Specialist, #204, 7000 - 113 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, T6H 5T6.

Letters
Your Opinion

Last month an invitation was extended to the readers of Sheep Footnotes regarding letters to the editor. The response was immediate and you the readers will start to see the results. In my invitation I placed two restrictions, I now have to place a third. Since Sheep Footnotes is a government publication, it is not the appropriate way for expressing concerns on government policy. If you have concerns about government policy there are other more appropriate ways of expressing them. This would include contacting your Sheep Specialist directly, contacting the Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission, contacting the Alberta Sheep Breeders' Association or publishing a letter in a non-government publication such as Sheep Canada.

Your concerns are important and they will be put forward for others to see. This months letter was written by an Alberta Agriculture staff member, Trevor Jones.

Wray Whitmore
Editor

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February 28, 1990

Wray Whitmore
Editor, Sheep Footnotes
Alberta Agriculture
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Edmonton, Alberta

Dear Sir:

I am writing my first letter to "Sheep Footnotes" to share a concern of mine with Alberta producers, and hopefully obtain some constructive feedback.

Since the mid 1960's there has been a major attempt by Alberta Agriculture, some of the Colleges, producer groups, and many hard working producers to turn a declining industry into a more viable farming option. Whether or not we've succeeded I'll leave to the historians.

In the push to provide the latest technology for innovative producers, I feel we've overlooked the fact that a new generation of producers has appeared on the scene. These newcomers seem doomed to repeat the husbandry mistakes of all beginners, and in the process, a high percentage will inevitably fail.

In my position with Alberta Agriculture in the Peace, most of my time is taken up with cattle producers, and during the last eight years I've been able to develop a goal oriented production plan. So far those who have followed the program feel it to be valuable. I call it "CIP" (Cattle Improvement Program). Three years ago I began working on SIP (Sheep Improvement Program) and am ready to start working with some interested producers to start fine tuning.

I have seven producers in the Peace working with me, but would like to have an equal number from the rest of the province also. It is important that volunteers be experienced, and willing to constructively

examine SIP with a view to making it a valuable tool for beginning sheep operators. Respondents should include complete addresses and phone numbers.

I look forward to your cooperation.

Yours truly,

L.T. Jones
Regional Livestock Specialist

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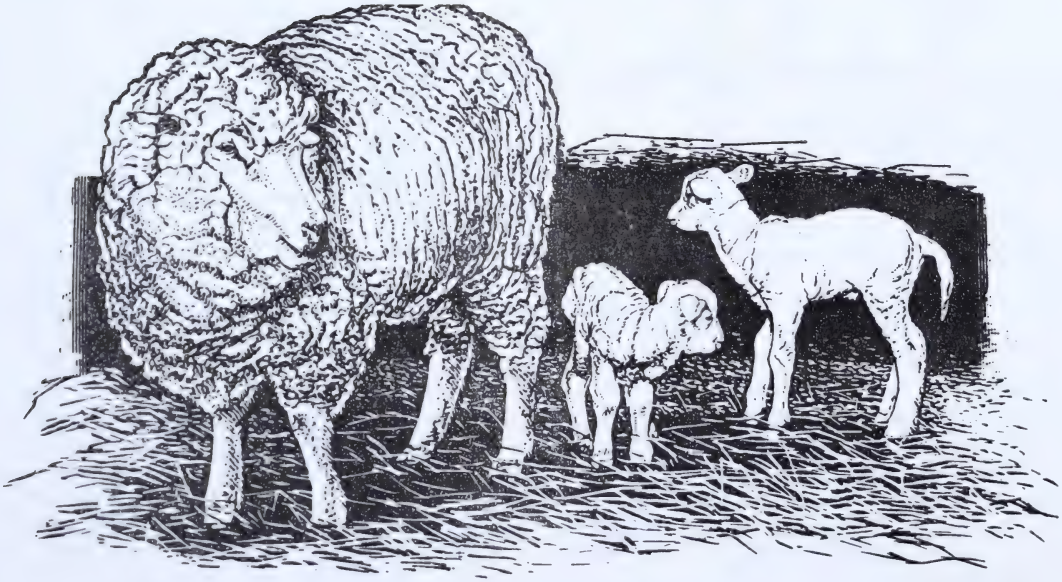

Prevention of Polidencephalomalacia in Sheep

In the article published in the Jan-Feb edition of Sheep Footnotes a typographical error was made in the last table (page 12). The trace minerals in the supplement will provide supplementation of absolute amounts of trace minerals, measured in mg/head/day not mg/kg. The corrected table is printed below.

NUTRIENT	DAILY REQUIREMENT		AMOUNT SUPPLIED IN		
	Lambs	Ewes	100 g	200 g	300 g
Vit. A IU	4-6,000	5-10,000	3500	7,000	10,500
Vit. D IU	300-400	500-600	350	700	1,050
Vit. E IU	15-25	30-45	35	70	105
Copper mg/hd/d	8-12	16-24	5	10	15
Managanese "	40-60	100-150	50	100	150
Zinc "	40-60	100-150	50	100	150
Selenium "	0.2-0.3	0.4-0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6
Cobalt "	0.2-0.3	0.4-0.6	0.2	0.4	0.6
Iodine "	0.5-0.8	1.5-2.5	1	2	3

I apologize for any confusion this might have caused.

Dale Engstrom, P.Ag.
Nutrition Section
Alberta Agriculture

ATTENTION ALBERTA SHEEP PRODUCERS! Fleeces are now being accepted for the Wool Competition in the 1990 FarmFair at Edmonton Northlands. Anyone who is interested in the competition can obtain more information by contacting Valerie Shields at 963-4343 or Jean Chriest at 477-9536.

SCRAPIE
- A DISEASE THAT SHOULD CONCERN PRODUCERS

Dr. Norm Harries
Regional Veterinary Laboratory
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Alberta sheep producers, especially breeders, should be careful that they don't bring scrapie into their flocks. Scrapie, an incurable brain disease of sheep and, very occasionally of goats, is caused by a virus-like germ. The disease is very difficult to control because firstly, it has an unusually long incubation of two to five years or longer and secondly, there is no blood test to detect carrier sheep. If a carrier should enter a flock infection, which is usually spread at lambing, can become widespread by the time disease appears years later.

We are very fortunate in Alberta not to have the disease at this time. Scrapie is, however, found in some of the other Canadian provinces, in the United States and it is widespread in Europe. It is present in most other sheep-raising countries with the exceptions of Australia and New Zealand.

The name scrapie refers to the most common symptom which is rubbing or scraping the body against a fence or post to attempt to relieve the intense itching that the sick sheep develops. Other signs are an abnormal walk, increased alertness and gradual loss of weight. Scrapie can be diagnosed only by microscopic examination of the brain of the sick animal.

An infected ewe spreads disease when she lambs. Her afterbirth is contaminated and scrapie germs are very easily picked up by her own lambs and by other lambs if the area is crowded. Nasal discharges and manure are also possible means of virus spread. Following infection, disease might not appear for many years, by which time the daughters of infected ewes will also be spreading the disease.

Some sheep families possess an inherited resistance to scrapie, or at least to one or more of the 20 strains of the virus. This resistance acts by extending the incubation so that signs do not show for seven to ten years. By this time, the ewe could have been culled or died from some other condition. It is well to realize that she and her lambs could be spreading infection to the rest of the flock, or to another, more susceptible flock, had they been sold.

Scrapie was first seen in Canada in 1938 in a ewe which had been imported from Britain. The disease was later declared reportable but, despite eradication attempts, it persisted, mainly in central and Atlantic Canada. Western Canada seems to have been relatively free of the disease but, to our concern, outbreaks were reported in Saskatchewan in 1986 and 1987. In Alberta, two isolated incidents occurred in the mid 1980's, in sheep which had been imported from other provinces. Prompt diagnosis of the disease led to eradication. The current overall picture in Canada is that between 1981 and 1986, 17 outbreaks occurred and 1924 sheep from 94 flocks were slaughtered with compensation.

In the United States scrapie is of very real concern to breeders judging by reports in recent sheep industry publications from that country. Scrapie is thought to have entered the U.S.A. in 1947 when Canadian sheep of British origin were imported. Since then, despite controls, the disease has persisted and the number of recorded outbreaks increased to over 50 during 1988. Small outbreaks of disease have occurred in Australia and New Zealand, again because of

importation of apparently healthy stock from overseas. These countries, realizing the potential catastrophic effects on commercial flocks and on exportation, undertook costly but successful eradication schemes. Today, each country is extremely sensitive to the origin of imported sheep and goats.

Scrapie took a new and very alarming turn in Britain in 1987. Cattle sickened with an almost identical disease. It is thought that this is in fact scrapie, and that it has resulted from feeding cattle meat and bone meal which originated from scrapie-infected sheep. This development will hasten world wide efforts to control and eradicate the disease.

Thus, with some understanding of scrapie and its repercussions, sheep producers across the country should continue to take the necessary precautions to prevent the disease entering their flocks. Purchases should be made with care and from reputable breeders. This is especially so if these purchases are to be made from other provinces.

If the disease is suspected, immediate action should be taken before further spread, for example at lambing, can take place. You should contact either your practicing veterinarian or a Federal or Provincial veterinarian and discuss the disease in confidence. If scrapie is diagnosed it has to be reported to a Federal veterinarian by law and then advice and instructions will be provided on control. The current policy is one of restricted slaughter of maternal female relatives of affected animals, with compensation.

ATTENTION FAIR GOERS!

The Olde Tyme Sheep Fair

takes place September 8 & 9 at the

Red Deer Westerner

Remember to:

save your best fleeces for the fleece competition

take lots of pictures for the photo competition

do something crafty (with wool or mohair) for the bench show

put your ewe lambs on ROP for the sheep sale

hone your skills for the shepherds contest

enter a team for the sheep to shawl contest

Complete prize lists and entry forms will be available from Fen Roessingh at 337-2221 or at your District Agriculturists office by May 1st.

ATTENTION FALL LAMBERS

Your response to our survey has helped us to plan a station test for fall born ram lambs in 1990. There will be one entry on Wednesday, October 31. We need a minimum of 30 lambs to run this test, with at least 20 of one breed. Plan your lambings now. More information in future issues.

SOUTHERN ALBERTA SHEEP BREEDERS
Would Like to Announce the Appointment of:

President - Pat Barott, Box 937, Vulcan, AB, TOL 2BO, Ph: 599-2141

Vice-President - Forrest Christensen, Box 92, Barnwell, AB, TOK OBO
Ph: 223-8324

Secretary/Treasurer - Les Toth, 918-1st Avenue S., Lethbridge, AB,
T1J 0A9, Ph: 327-3760

Past President - Brian Murray, Box 186, Lethbridge, AB, T1J 3Y5,
Ph: 320-6996

Directors - John Balderson, Box 643, Magrath, AB, TOK 1JO,
Ph: 758-6392
- Geoff DeBoer, Box189, Barons, AB, TOL OGO, Ph: 757-2419
- Robert Neil, Box 4, Burdett, AB, TOK OJO, Ph: 833-2144
- Alvins Robbins, Box 298, Pincher Creek, AB, Ph: 627-4568
- Tom Simpson, R.R. #1, Tilley, AB, TOJ 3KO, Ph: 377-2339
- Walt Strand, S.S. 1-3-63, Lethbridge, AB, T1J 4B3,
Ph: 327-9306
- Gordon Wilde, Box 5, Welling, AB, TOK 2NO, Ph: 752-4103

The Southern Alberta Sheep Breeders have established two main objectives for the coming year:

1) To establish a current membership list which will enable us to keep our members aware of what we are attempting to do for the sheep industry in Southern Alberta. To this end we are renewing our membership list and initiating a 5-year membership for $10.00. (This includes a S.A.S.B. Grass to Gold Cap and can be obtained from any Director.)

2) The Lethbridge and District Exhibition Board is saluting SHEEP in conjunction with the 1990 Whoop-Up Days. The S.A.S.B. have been approached and accepted the challenge of bringing SHEEP to the forefront of the general public during Whoop-Up Days. With this in mind we have established a committee headed by Brian Murray. With your ideas and your assistance we can make this a show that will be remembered!

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the sheep industry in Southern Alberta, take them up with your Directors (that's what we are here for!)

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Pat Barott
President, S.A.S.B.

1989 LAMB PROMOTION REPORT

by Pat Hardy

As a new decade challenges, the ASWC can reflect with pride on past marketing achievements through its responsibility for the promotion of Fresh Alberta Lamb. From 1980 - 1990, Commission surveys show an increase in consumer awareness from 10% to 88% and Alberta consumption of Lambco product from minimal to 50%.

The marketing expenditures were directed to our external public through electronic media, commercial production, the reprinting of existing literature and direct consumer education. Although effective, that methodology did leave a depleted inventory of support materials. The cookbook, posters, recipe cards, information pamphlets, demonstration booths and exhibits have been used through most of the decade or longer.

Given that scenario, promotion committee has focused efforts on a strategy and practical plan for the 90's which will be equally or more effective. We have never faced a greater opportunity. A new, participatory action plan is being formulated in conjunction with Lambco, and Gerry Kelly has been appointed to the promotion committee. Research tells us that lamb consumption should increase, while other red meats decrease, due to a new awareness, ease of preparation, an assimilation into 'everyday' food preparation, and excellent nutrition. Alberta lamb has an advantage because it is perceived as the highest quality by retailers and consumers alike, and price is not the issue it once was providing the product is packaged and showcased effectively.

But is was also time for the ASWC to take stock. The committee has resolved to solicit assistance from Alberta Agriculture for immediate development of a new marketing arsenal for both the ASWC and the Alberta Sheep Breeders to ensure and expand our product advantage over the next five years. This major proposal will be presented to Cabinet. The documentation from the integrated agricultural community and the many support services dependent upon our $35 million industry. The producers and breeders have confirmed their commitment to success through years of contribution without major government support towards the marketing effort as least in comparison to the other red meat/livestock groups. This project took time and money on everyone's part, but was deemed to be a worthwhile investment.

Other '89 activities included a new series of recipes sourced and tested, with food design and photography art and sourcing completed.

A limited number of taste demonstrations took place not in the retail stores, but at exhibits, fairs and community events. The promotion incentives (balloons, napkins, buttons, refrigerator magnets) were restocked for provincial distribution as required.

The 'traditional' pamphlets were printed and literature has been distributed to retailers and at community events in conjunction with Lambco and volunteers. Rural sheep fairs including Red Deer's 'Olde Tyme Sheep Fair' and Lethbridge's 'Sheeporama' received assistance as did 4-H Sheep Club events. The Commission also actively participated in the events and promotion of the National Meat Awareness month.

The ASWC has participated in the coordination, production and execution of the CAPS program (Agriculture in the Alberta Classroom) conducted in the spring of 1989, delivered by volunteers to over 40,000 fourth grade students. Alberta's sheep industry had full representation in the workbook, classroom activity sheets, and the teaching classroom poster. Our thanks to the many producers who were 'teachers for a day' on the subject of sheep.

Although the tangible, high profile activities saw some reduction in 1989, the research and preparation conducted as an investment in the 90's should benefit producers even more in the years to come. Verl Tolley Promotion Committee Chairman, Chairman Roy Johns, Will Verboven, Susan Kitchen, Clarence Jones, Gerry Kelly, Kathy Playdon and Geoff DeBoer are to be complimented for their consistently outstanding efforts towards promotion during the past few years.

Pat Hardy is the Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission Director of Promotion and Communication and a sheep producer from Okotoks, Alberta.

LAMBCO SALE UPDATE

by Will Verboven
Secretary-Manager
Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission

The Alberta Minister of Agriculture, the Honorable Ernie Isley, announced last October that the Alberta government is planning on selling Lambco, located in Innisfail. The Minister stated that this action is part of a divestiture process which includes a number of other provincially owned companies.

Although a number of parties have expressed an interest in acquiring the plant, no prospectus has yet been issued by the Alberta government. Once such a document has been issued, bids meeting the criteria of the prospectus will be reviewed by a committee. The Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission has been assured by Alberta Agriculture that they will be full participants on the committee reviewing the bids.

The government has stated that due to the critical nature of Lambco to the industry and its dominance in the marketplace, any serious bidders will have to meet stringent safeguards to protect the interests of the Alberta sheep producer. It is expected that the entire process will take many months. In the meantime, Lambco will be operated on a business as usual basis.

The Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission has stated that they are not in favour of any change to the present ownership. The Commission will be seeking further guidance from producers at the annual zone meetings.

COMMISSION MEETS WITH AMERICANS

Last December 12 saw the first ever joint Canada/U.S.A. sheep industries meeting in Denver, Colorado. The Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission was invited to attend as a full participant. The meeting was called by the American Sheep Industry Association to discuss a number of issues of mutual concern. They included health import protocols, Oceanic imports, live New Zealand imports, wool, scrapie and any possible circumvention of present health regulations under the guise of the free trade agreement.

The Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission, with the support of the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association and the Lamb Feeders of Canada Association presented the only Canadian sheep industry position paper on the issues that were discussed. A subsequent meeting of the two sheep industries is scheduled for June 6 in Calgary.

Two committees have been established to prepare final position papers for the meeting. The committees are composed of representatives of the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association, Lamb Feeders of Canada Association, the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, Agriculture Canada and the Alberta Sheep and Wool Commission. Further technical assistance is being provided by Alberta Agriculture, sheep industry consultant Chris Mills, and the Ottawa office of the Canadian Cattlemens Association.

The Classifieds

FOR SALE - SHEEP

BRIGHTBANK FINNSHEEP has top quality Finn rams and ewes. New bloodlines available from semen imported from Finland. ROP tested. Visitors welcome. Kathy Playdon, Stony Plain, 963-0416 (3)

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TEASER RAM. $100 or best offer. Gail Snellen, Leduc, 986-0758 (3)

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34 YEARLING Suffolk ewes, 2 Suffolk rams, 1 teaser ram. All very uniform. Of good breeding. Suppose to lamb March 15/90. Dave Norton, Spruce View, 728-3992 (3)

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DISPERSAL SALE. 50 ewes, mixed breed, 2-6 yrs old. Bred to Polypay. $4000.00 or best offer. Polypay ram - 2 yrs old - $200.00. Norman Wiebe, Enderby, B.C. (604) 838-7368 (3)

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TAKING ORDERS now for Aug - Sept '89 born Dorset ewe lambs and ram lambs. Not available until spring. Breeding can be arranged. John or Edith Williams, Ponoka, 784-3511 (3)

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ATTENTION COMMERCIAL breeders. Winter sale Outaouais-Arcott ram lambs - $250. Prolificly in your replacement ewe lambs. Battlemede Farm, Westerose, 586-2768 (3)

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CAN YOU see a Polypay in your future? New bloodlines from Idaho registered and certified grand dams. Lambs available spring & summer '90. Pipestone Creek Farm, Wembley, 766-2457 (3)

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10 BRED Suffolk ewes. 1st lambing April 1st. Walter Lewis, Cochrane, 932-4144 (3)

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10 BRED ewes, 2 Hampshire rams. Harriet Griffith, Hanna, 854-2506 (3)

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1 POLYPAY/FINN cross ram. 1 yr old. Twin out of triplet - $100. Merv Goldsney, Sherwood Park, 463-0683 (3)

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50 HEAD bred ewes to lamb in February. Alberta Hughes, Winfield, 682-2160 or 843-3066 (3)

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2 PUREBRED Suffolk rams. A 2 yr old & 5 yr old - papered. Rob, Sibbald, 676-2125 (3)

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APPROX 100 Suffolk/Dorset/Finn cross ewe lambs exposed to Finn, Dorset, Romanov rams - $100 each. Wayne Hommy, Beaverlodge, 354-2622 (3)

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PUREBRED ROMANOVS. Crossbred ewes and rams. Complete records. Highly prolific and early maturing. Out of season breeding. Excellent mothers. All ewes can be individually tipped and inspected. Lyle Bowles, Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, (306) 662-2916 (3)

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SMALL FLOCK lambed out at my farm. Shearing also available. Diane, Onoway, 967-5470 or leave messages at 967-5579 (3)

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COMMERCIAL FLOCK. 75 bred ewes. Average age 2-6 yrs. Bred to Columbia rams. Also 20 bred yearling ewes bred to Suffolk ram. Due to start lambing the first week of March. Don Bartman, Bassano, 641-3029 (after 5 PM please) (3)

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3 YEAR old Suffolk ram with papers. $150 or best offer. Suffolk ewe lambs $100 beginning in June. Sigmar Aubele, Colinton, 675-5596 (3)

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10 SEPTEMBER born 1/2 & 1/4 Finn ewe lambs - $115 each; 20 1/2 & 3/4 Finn ewe lambs bred to registered Finn - $135 each. All ewe lambs are twin or triplets. 40 2-5 yr old commercial ewes bred to Finn/Suffolk cross ram - $125 each. All ewes are OPP negative. (Will sell entire group for $8,000.00 with choice of three rams). Yearling and aged rams including registered Columbia, Finn and crosses, twins and triplets only. Closed flock and records available. Ailie Beaudry, Cherhill, 785-2916 after 5 PM (3)

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WILL BE selling the ewe lambs from 500 purebred and registered Polypay ewes. Prolificacy and rate of gain tested and indexed. Rigorously culled and then selected on records and conformation. Only the top 50% ewe lambs and top 10% rams sold as breeding stock. Deliveries can be arranged. John Balderson Farms, Magrath, 758-6392 (3)

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WHITE FACE Rambouillet ewe lambs. Ready June & July. Twilight Colony, Peace River, 837-8120 After 6 PM (3)

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FOR HEALTH reasons - 80 ewes, Finn/Hampshire and their crosses - 1-7 yrs old. 2 purebred Hampshire rams 3-5 yrs old. 3 Finn rams. 2 cows - 1 5 yr old - hand milker and 1 2 yr old heifer and her daughter. Also some goats. Ed & Ursula Jones, Athabasca, 675-4099 (4)

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95 BRED ewes. 50 Suffolk, 45 white face, 1/2 lambed out. Complete dispersal. Don Litvak, Stettler, 742-5911 (4)

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RAMBOUILLET & COLUMBIA cross ewe lambs. Rambouillet/ Columbia/Suffolk cross. Available May & June. Ike Entz, Crystal Springs Colony, Magrath, 758-6701 (4)

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REGISTERED DORSET & Suffolk ewe & rams. Patric Lyster, Coyote Acres, Vilna, 636-2007 (4)

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GOOD SELECTION of yearling Rambouillet rams. Eligible for registration. Born Jan & Apr '89. Amy & Robert Jackson, Didsbury, 335-4348 (4)

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10 REGISTERED North Country Cheviot ewe lambs due to lamb in early April - $225 each. 5 registered North Country Cheviot ewe lambs - 4 exposed to ram. Could lamb in late April - $190 each. Dianne, Cache Creek, B.C. (604) 459-7716 (4)

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FLOCK DISPERSAL. Finn/Suffolk ewes. In lambing stage until June 1/90. All ewes potential twin & triplet bearers. Most are 1 to 3 yrs old. Reason for selling is we have sold the farm. Nick or Rita, Breton, 696-3861 (4)

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REGISTERED KATAHIDIN hair sheep. The sheep you don't have to shear. Bred for superior meat quality and multiple births. Very prolific. Will have a very limited number for sale in late summer. Accepting deposits now. Floyd Furgeson, Edmonton, 454-2459 or 963-4406 (4)

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1 RAM - 3/4 Finn, 1/4 Hampshire. 3 yrs old - $125. Dawn Mohr, Ft. Saskatchewan, 998-4663 (4)

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SHEEP DISPERSAL sale. Ewe & ram lambs born Dec & Jan 89/90. 2 ewe lambs half & three quarters Romanov born October '89. 3 half Romanov ram lambs born October '89. Registered purebred 2 yr old Romanov ram. Approximately 50 ewes Suffolk/Targhee/ Cheviot cross - lambed Jan & Feb. Healthy and all shots. Marg Eden, Botha, 742-0986 (4)

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1 LB+ per day purebred Suffolk ram lambs. Also high gaining commercial ewe lambs 20+. Good and sound 2 yr old Polypay cross ewes. Have lambed twice. Good mothers. Neil VanWass, Alhambra/Rocky, 729-3827 (4)

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10 BRED Suffolk ewes and 10 bred Suffolk ewe lambs to start lambing April. Mary Anne Schwengler, Beiseker, 935-4525 (4)

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EASTER LAMBS. Born Dec 15/89. Glenda, Wetaskiwin, 352-3055 (4)

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DISPERSAL OF commercial flock. Suffolks. Some Finn crosses. 30 ewes - 2 yrs old - $100. 8 bred ewe lambs due in April - $125. Closed sound flock. Also 1 good Suffolk yearling ram. Triplet. Mornings or late evenings. Brigit Hofer, Olds, 556-3146 (4)

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YEARLING PUREBRED Suffolk ram - $125. 2 registered North Country Cheviot yearling rams - $175 each. Lori Williamson, Stettler, 742-1854 (4)

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EXTRA TRIPLETS & quadruplet lambs from our Romonov cross ewes. Will sell under a week old - $15-20. Starting April 1. Tom Makowecki, Musidora, 657-2004 (4)

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PROVEN SIRES - 1 registered Dorset ram, 1 registered Suffolk ram, 1 purebred Finn ram. Robert, Spedden, 636-2851 (4)

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FOR SALE - GOATS

GOATS FOR sale. Call Floyd at 454-2459 or 963-4406, Edmonton (4)

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2 SAANEN milking does. 1 bred Saanen yearling due middle of March. 2 young Saanen does ready to be bred - very tame, from excellent milking stock. All does are papered and 'tattooed'. 1 purebred registered Saanen buck. Will sell or trade for unrelated buck. Other trade offers??? Erika Vester, 337-2496 (Carstairs) or 556-2299 (Olds) (4)

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FOR SALE - DOGS

REGISTERED BORDER Collie pups from working parents. Have had first set of shots. Keith, Ponoka, 783-6889, after 6 PM (3)

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REGISTERED BORDER Collie bitch. 2 yrs old. Started on sheep. $350. Tracy, Wetaskiwin, 352-4372 (3)

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6 PUREBRED Border Collie pups from registered working parents and grandparents. Black & white. $200 each. Ready January 10. Come from very good tempered line. Jean Lamb, Beaverlodge, 356-2205 (3)

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PUREBRED REGISTERED Border Collie pups. Parents both working. Roy McNary, Wainwright, 842-2372 (3)

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1 1/2 YR old Sheltie female - $100. Needs room to run. 6 months old male Sheltie - $200. Teresa Graham, Lacombe, 782-2780 (3)

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PUPPIES. BOTH parents working dogs in a heavy infested coyote area. The mother is Great Pyrennes - father is Pyrennes and Irish Wolf Hound cross. Asking $50 for the males and $75 for the females. Brian, Devon, 987-3266 (3)

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PUREBRED & REGISTERED Australian Shepherd pups. Working, showing or pet. Have first shots. $150. Connie, Edmonton area, 998-0100 after 5:00 PM or leave message on machine (3)

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REGISTERED BORDER Collie pups. Working parents. Chris Schmaltz, Beiseker, 935-4543 (3)

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PUREBRED BORDER Collies from working parents. Sire is registered with top bloodlines. Dam unregistered from New Zealand origin. $100 and $150 Jim Sabin, Onoway, 967-4453 (3)

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KOMONDOR CKC registered pups. Both parents working dogs in a heavily infested coyote area. Fred or Marlene Brettell, Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, (306) 825-2640 (3)

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REGISTERED BORDER Collie pups. Whelped November 7th. Dam and sire from top champion and working bloodlines. Edwin Chileen, Pickardville, 961-2450 (3)

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STOCK DOGS - pups out of a daughter of world champion "Jeff" and "Hopps Taff". Also started dogs. Ron Gale, Sundre, 638-2836 (3)

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2 PUPS born Aug 15/89. 1 male and 1 female. Good farm guard dogs and coyote chasers. Greg or Cindy Belsher, Peers, 693-2101 (4)

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COYOTE HOUND pups. 7 males. Tan or Black in color. Jim MacKinnon, Bentley, 748-2904 (4)

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FOR SALE - MISCELLANEOUS

SHEEP SUPPLIES - We carry in stock a complete line of sheep supplies for lambing: Pritchard and the NEW Caprine nipple and tube, elastrator rings, foot trimmers, stomach tubes, orphan lamb feeder units, Allflex ear tags, and we special order Ketchem Ear Tags and much more. We can provide prompt service by Bus, Courier or mail or vist our Showroom at the Cee-Der Chalets in Canmore (please phone ahead). A catalogue is available upon request. Cee-Der Sheep Products, Box 2404, Canmore, TOL OMO, phone 678-2220 or 678-5251 (3)

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FOR SALE OR TRADE

PUREBRED BORDER Collie pups (6) ready to go Jan 15. Both parents registered and working stock dogs. $200 OR TRADE for sheep or milk goats. Katherine Hughesonan, Beaverlodge, 356-2205 (3)

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4 BLACK Suffolk cross rams, 1 - 4 yrs old. TRADE for ram or doe goats. Heather, Peace River, 624-8776 after 9 PM (3)

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ONE REGISTERED purebred Saanen buck. Will sell or trade for unrelated buck. Other trades?? 2 bred registered Saanen does, due any day. 2 young purebred Saanen does, born April 1989. Erika Vester, Carstairs, 337-2496 or 556-2299 (work) (3)

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WANTED - SHEEP

1 HAMPSHIRE ram lamb. From spring 1990. Dawn Mohr, Ft. Saskatchewan, 998-4663 (4)

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DRUM CARDER, hand carders and/or old fashioned spinning wheel. Liz Fear, Drumheller, 823-8083 (3)

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